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OF THE TERRITORY OF

NEW MEXICO.

TWENTY-FIRST SESSION,

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1873.

This being the day prescribed by act of Congress of the United States, for the meeting of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of New Mexico.

This 1st day of December the members of the Legislative Council met at the Council Hall at Santa Fe the capital of said Territory and proceeded to organize as follows.

Mr. Francisco Salazar called the members to order.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin Stevens, Mr. Francisco P. Abreú was chosen President protem.

Mr. Benjamin Stevens moved the appointment of Antonio Ortiz y Salazar as Clerk protempore.

Agreed.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the members presented their credentials.

The following persons came forward to wit:

County of Taos—Messrs. Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil.

County of Rio Arriba—Mr. Francisco Salazar.

Counties of Mora and Colfax—Mr. Vicente Romero.

County of San Miguel—Messrs. Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca.

Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana—Messrs. Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva.

County of Bernalillo—Mr. Benjamin Stevens.

County of Valencia—Messrs. J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes.

County of Socorro—Mr. Pablo Padilla.

Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant—John D. Bail.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens a committee of three was appointed to examine the credentials.

The committee was composed of Messrs. Benjamin Stevens, John D. Bail and Nicolas Pino, who proceeded to the dispatch of business, and after a short absence reported as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The committee appointed by the Council for the purpose of examining the credentials of the members from the different counties to the Legislative Council of the Territory of New Mexico, at the present session, has the honor to report to this honorable body, that the following persons are entitled to seats as members thereof:

County of Taos—Hons. Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil.

County of Rio Arriba—Hon. Francisco Salazar.

Counties of Mora and Colfax—Hon. Vicente Romero.

County of San Miguel—Hons. Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca.

Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana—Hons. Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva.

County of Bernalillo—Hon. Ben. Stevens.

County of Valencia—Hon. J. B. Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes.

County of Socorro—Hon. Pablo Pedilla.

Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant—Hon. John D. Bail.

BENJAMIN STEVENS,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. Pedro Sanchez the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar a committee of three was appointed and instructed to request the Hon. Secretary W. G. Ritch to administer the oath of office to the members of this honorable body.

The committee were Messrs. Francisco Salazar, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Vicente Romero.

The committe retired and after a short absence reported that they had the honor to accompany the honorable W. G. Ritch

Secretary of the Territory who was invited to a seat by the President.

The honorable Secretary called the roll and the members being all present, proceeded to administer the oath of office to which all of them subscribed.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Council proceeded to the appointment of officers.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva, honorable Pedro Sanchez was chosen permanent President of the Council.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 11—Noes 0.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Vicente Romero, Santiago Baca, Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Nepomuceno Silva, Benjamin Stevens, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla and John D. Bail.

In the negative none.

Consequently the honorable Pedro Sanchez was declared unanimously elected President of the Council, took the oath of office and assumed his duties.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva, Antonio Ortiz y Salazar was unanimously appointed Chief Clerk.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca, L. C. Lucrecia was unanimously appointed Assistant Clerk.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca, Nicolas Quintana y Alarid was unanimously appointed Engrossing Clerk.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca, Leandro Martines was unanimously appointed Enrolling Clerk.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar, Luciano de Herrera was unanimously appointed Sergeant-at-arms.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino, Antonio Romero was unanimously appointed as door-keeper.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino, Dionicio Bargas was unanimously appointed Messenger.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino, Nicolas Quintana y Campos was unanimously appointed watchman.

The roll of the officers being called and all being present, the honorable Secretary administered to them the oath of office to which they all subscribed.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar a vote of thanks was tendered to the honorable W. G. Ritch Secretary of the Territory, for the prompt and efficient manner in which he responded to the call of this body.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the honorable Secretary was invited to a seat within the bar of the Council during the present session.

The Secretary having retired the committee was instructed to escort him to his house.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules which governed the last session of the Legislative Council were adopted as the rules which are to govern the present session of the Council.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be instructed to forward lists of the officers of this body to the Hon. Secretary of the Territory, to his excellency the Governor and to the House of Representatives.

Resolved further, That the Chief Clerk be instructed to communicate to the Hon. Secretary of the Territory, that this body is organized and will be pleased to receive from him any comunication which he may deem proper to address it.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the resolution was adopted.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreú introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be instructed to make a requisition on the Secretary of the Territory for stationery and also for copies of the laws and journal and rules of the last session of the Legislative Assembly.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the resolution was adopted.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Councl was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at ten o'clock a. m.

The motion was adopted.

Consequently the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, a. m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBMR 2, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino, Jose D. Sena was unanimously appointed interpreter of the Council.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

A joint resolution relative to the appointment of a joint committee to inform his Excellency the Governor that both Houses were completely organized and ready to receive any message or communicacion that he may deem proper to address to them.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the third time and passed.

A committee from the house was announced and received and through its chairman reported that the honorable House of Representatives was completely organized and ready to receive any message or communication from the Council.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved that a committee be appointed for the purpose of announcing to the house of representatives that the Council is completely organized and ready to receive any message or communication from that Hon. body, and that a list of the officers of this body be furnished to the honorable House of Representatives for their information.

Agreed.

The committee consisted of Messrs. Santiago Baca, Vicente Romero and Nepomuceno Silva who proceeded to discharge their duties and after a short absence returned and reported that they had complied with their duty.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the same committee appointed to request the Secretary of the Territory to administer the oath of office to the members and officers of this body yesterday, be instructed to request the Hon. Secretary to come and administer the oath of office to the interpreter.

Agreed to.

The committee was so instructed and proceeded to the discharge of its duty and after a short absence returned and reported it had the honor to accompany the Hon. Srcretary who was received, and administered the oath of office to José D. Sena as interpreter.

The President thanked the Hon. Secretary for his prompt attendance and instructed the committee to accompany him to his residence.

The committee returned and announced having complied with its instructions.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and rceeived and through it chairman announced that it was instructed by the House to ask the appointment of a joint committee of one member from this body to inform his excellency the Governor that both bodies were complete

ly organized and ready to receive any message or communication from him.

The President appointed Francisco P. Abreu as a member of the committee.

The committee retired and after a short absence returned and reported that his excellency the Governor would deliver his message to both houses in joint session at two o'clock this afternoon.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved that the Chief Clerk be instructed to tender an invitation of a seat within the bar of the Council to his excellency the Governor and the judges of the supreme court of this Territory during the present session.

The question was put and unanimously adopted and the Clerk instructed accordingly.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that a conference committee be appointed to confer with another committee of the House of Representatives as to the time and place of meeting to hear the reading of the Governor's message.

Agreed.

The committee appointed were honorables Francisco Salazar, Nicolas Pino and Santiago Baca.

The committee retired and after a short absence returned and reported as follows.

The committee of conference of this body has confered with the committee appointed by the House and agreed to meet in joint session in the House of Representatives to hear the reading of the message of the Governor.

The report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Council adjourned until half past one P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of

San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the connties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved to appoint a committee of two members to invite the federal and civil officers of the Territory to hear the reading of the Governor message.

The motion was adopted.

The President appointed on said committee honorables Francisco P. Abreú and Francisco Salazar.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The committee on invitations returned and reported that they had complied with their duty.

Hon. J. B. Chaves moved to apppoint a committee to visit the House of Representatives and inform themselves if the House was ready to go into a joint session.

The committee appointed were honorables J. B. Chaves, Santiago Baca and Pablo Padilla.

The committee retired and after a short absence returned and reported that the honorable House of Representatives was ready to meet in joint session.

The President announced the Council in recess and ordered the members to proceed to the House of Representatives to meet in joint session at the hall of the house.

JOINT SESSION.

The rolls of both bodies were called and a quorum being present the President of the Council announced that the joint session was ready to proceed to business.

The proceedings of the joint session will be found in the journal of the House of Representatives.

The joint session having been dissolved the members of the Council proceeded to their hall.

The Council was called to order.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

On motion of Hon. Nepomuceno Silva the Council adjourned until to-morrow at ten o'clock, a. m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The President announced the standing committees of the Council for the present session as required by the rules and as follows.

STANDING COMMITEES OF THE COUNCIL.

On Judiciary—Hon Benjamin Stevens, J. Bonifacio Chaves and John D. Bail.

On Territorial Affairs—Hon. Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes and Nepomuceno Silva.

On Public Printing—Hon. Francisco P. Abreu, Marcelo Vigil and Pablo Padilla.

On the Capital—Hon. Nicolas Pino, Santiago Baca and Vicente Romero.

On Indian Affairs—Hon. Vicente Romero, Santiago Baca and Marcelo Vigil.

On Counties—Hon. Francisco Salazar, Nicolas Pino and Francisco P. Abreu.

On Internal Improvements—Hon. John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Nepomuceno Silva.

On Roads and Acequias—Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens and Santiago Baca.

Ou Public Property—Hon. Santiago Baca, John D. Bail and Francisco Salazar.

On Militia—Hon. Benjamin Stevens, John D. Bail and Nicolas Pino.

On the Library—Hou. Francisco P. Abreu, Vicente Romero and Pablo Padilla.

On Education—Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves, John D. Bail and Francisco P. Abreu.

On Agriculture and Manufactures—Hon. Santiago Baca, Vicente Romero and Juan Salazar y Jimenes.

On Finance—Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens and Francisco Salazar.

On Mines and Waste Lands—Hon. John D, Bail, Francisco P. Abreu and Nepomuceno Silva.

On Privileges and Elections—Hon. Nicolas Pino, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Santiago Baca.

On Engrossed Bills—Hon. Francisco Salazar, J. Bonifacio Chaves.

On Enrolled Bills—Francisco P. Abreu, Marcelo Vigil and Nepomuceno Silva.

On Vice and Immorality—Hon. Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail and Vicente Romero.

Hon. J. B. Chaves moved that the roll of standing committees be sent to the Secretary of the Territory requesting him to print sufficient copies for the use of the Council.

Agreed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to be relieved from serving as chairman of the standing committee on Engrossed Bills.

Not agreed.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the roll of standing committees as announced by the President was approved.

The President announced that he had before him the papers contesting the election of the Senator from the Senatorial district of Mora and Colfax.

Which were read for the information of the Council.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the papers were referred to the standing committee on privileges and elections.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced the following resolution:

Resolved by the Council that the Secretary of the Territory is requested to cause to have printed one thousand copies of the rolls of ayes and noes for the use of the Council and that he be furnished with a copy of this resolution.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the resolution was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced—

A joint resolution relative to the printing of the governor's message,

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nepomubeno Silva the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read third time and passed.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

Business on the President's table.

A communication from the House was read and is as follows:

Santa Fé, N. M., Dec. 2d, 1873.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, President of the Council.

SIR—I am instructed by the House of Representatives to transmit to you a list of the officers of this body for the information of the Council.

Respectfully,
AMADO C. DE BACA,
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

LIST OF THE OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Speaker—Hon. Gregorio N. Otero.
Chief Clerk—Amado C. de Baca.
Assistant Clerk—Frank B. Shaw.
Engrossing Clerk—Serafin Apodaca.
Enrolling Clerk—Jose Salazar y Baca.
Sergeant-at-arms—Apolonio Gutierres.
Watchman—Primitivo Sisneros.
Messenger—Samuel Dean.
Door keeper—Jose Serrano.
Interpreter—Daniel L. Martinez.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the communication was received.

The following communication of the Secretary of the Territory was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Dec. 2, 1873.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, Prcsident of the Legislative Council.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a list of the officers elect of the Legislative Council. Among them I notice an Interpreter has been elected and in view of this fact I deem it my dnty to make the following communication.—On reading the recent Act of Congress affecting the length of the session and officers of the Legislative Assemblies of the Territories, it occurred to me that it had left the question of employing interpreters and translators for the Legislative Assembly of New Mexico, somewhat ambiguous; I therefore addressed a note to the department calling attention to the law and received the follewing answer thereto under date of November 10th from the Comptroller of the Treasury:

"There was no appropriation made by Congress at the last session fort the payment of salaries to translators and interpreters for the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of New Mexico, therefore they cannot be employed in behalf of the United States. If such officers are employed by the Council and House, they will have to provide for the payment of their salaries."

On receipt of this letter I wrote to the Honorable Delegate in Congress for New Mexico, calling his attention to the same and also to the fact that the practice of the general government had been to provide and pay the salaries of Interpreters and Translator for your honorable body, and suggesting that such legislation be got through congress as the circumstances seemed to require.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant,
W. G. RITCH,
Secretary Territory.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the communication was received.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Agreed to.

Consequently the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the

counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties ot Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

Hon. John D. Bail presented a petition of the citizens of Silver City in Grant county praying that said city be incorporated.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the petition was referred to the standing committee on internal improvements.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Nicolas Pino made the following report.

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on privileges and elections reports as follows, on the contest placed at the consideration of the committee: that having carefully examined at the office of the honorable Secretary of the Territory of New Mexico the returns of the elections had in the Senatorial District composed of the counties of Mora and Colfax we find that the

vote in fourteen precincts, of which consists the county of Mora, Hon. Vicente Romero the siting member has one thousand and fifty four votes, and Luciano Gallegos received in the same county, five hundred and seven votes, making a majority in said county of five hundred and forty seven votes; in the county of Colfax said honorable Vicente Romero received three votes and Luciano Gallegos received in the same county of Colfax two hundred and thirty seven votes, now in the comparing of said vote in said Senatorial District the majority of honorable Vicente, as Senator the number of three hundred and twenty votes all of which is respectfully submitted to the consideration of the Council and the committee further recommends to the honorable Council the accompanying resolution.

Resolved by the Legislative Council of the Territory of New Mexico, that Vicente Romero the siting member, is entitled to the seat which he occupied as a member of the Senatorial District of Mora and Colfax and that Luciano Gallegos the contestant is not entitled to it and further that all the papers relating to said contest be laid on the table indefinitely.

NICOLAS PINO,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil presented the following resolution:

Resolved, that the various standing committees of this body be and the same are hereby instructed to examine carefully all the laws now in force in this Territory, upon the matters specially pertaining, to each of said committees, in order to find out if any of said laws need to be amended or repealed, and that said committees may report to this body from time to time such bills to amend or repeal as may be necessary.

On motion of honorable Francsico Salazar the resolution was adopted.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

The reports of the Auditor and Treasurer of the Territory in relation to finance were read.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens they were referred to the standing committee on finance.

The report of the Adjutant General of the Militia of the Territory of New Mexico was read.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail it was referred to the standing committee on militia.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved a suspension of the rules to introduce a bill out of order.

Agreed.

Hon. Santiago Baca introduced—

A bill (special) declaring the public roads in precinct number 8 of the county of San Miguel.

Which was read the first time,

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the act was referred to a special committee composed of the members of the county of San Miguel.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Agreed to.

Consequently the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business were called in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Santiago Baca made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act relative to public roads, a special act.

Has had the same under advisement; your committee upon examination of said bill has concluded to present a substitute therefor and respectfully recommends the passage thereof.

SANTIAGO BACA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report of the committee was adopted.

The substitute bill was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion the act passed.

Joint resolutions were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

A joint resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint a proper person to prepare blanks for the use of the justices of peace.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the resolution was referred to the committee on judiciary.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Santiago Baca introduced—

An act prohibiting the keeping open of stores, dram shops and bar-rooms on Sundays, in this Territory.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the act was referred to the standing committee on Vice and Immorality.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon Benjamin Stevens moved that the President have control and superintendence of the affairs of this body until otherwise provided.

The motion was adopted.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Council adjourned until half past one P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the Speaker.

Hon. Santiago Baca presented a petition from the inhabitants of precinct number eight of the county of San Miguel, praying the the legislature to memorialize the congress of the United States for the recognizance of the titles of the purchasers from the Indians of the pueblo of Pecos which was read.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the petition was referred to a special committee consisting of one member from each county or Senatorial District.

The committee announced were honorables Baca of San Miguel, Romero of Mora and Colfax, Vigil of Taos, Salazar of Rio Arriba, Silva of Santa Fe and Santa Ana, Stevens of Bernalillo, Chaves of Valencia, Padilla of Socorro and Bail of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

An act additional defining certain assaults and for other purposes.

Was read the first time.

Business on the President table were announced in order by the President.

A bill (special) for precinct number 11 of the county of Taos,

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

On motionof honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves in the chair.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the bill passed.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Agreed to.

Consequently the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 6, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimènes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties ot Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil introduced—

A petition from the inhabitants of precinct number one of the county of Taos, which was read.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the petition was referred to the standing committee on Territorial Affairs.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Nicolas Pino introduced the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the Legislative Council of the Territory of New Mexico, That the Secretary of the Territory be requested to supply this body with a copy of the laws of the United States relative to New Mexico.

Resolved further, That the Chief Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Territory.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the resolution was adopted.

Introduction of bills and joints resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

An act defining the crime of aggravated assault and battery and prescribing the punishment of the same,

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to be translated.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

An act increasing the salary of the Auditor of Public Accounts and of the Treasurer of the Territory.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to the standing committee on Territorial Affairs.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

A bill to increase the salary of the Probate Judge of the county of Doña Ana.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the Speaker's table.

A joint resolution originated in the council relative to the printing of fifteen hundred copies in English and two thousand copies in Spanish of the Governor message.

The House of Representatives concurred in its passage with the following amendment.

Amendment—that in the place of four thousand copies, it shall read fifteen hundred in Spanish and five hundred in English.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the resolution together with the amendment was referred to the standing committee on public printing.

A joint resolution allowing the Governor two hundred copies in English and fifty in Spanish of his message for his private use.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the resolution was referred to the standing committee on printing.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adjourn until Monday at 3 o'clock P. M.

Not agreed.

Hon. Santiago Baca introduced—

A joint resolution thanking the honorable W. G. Ritch Secretary of the Territory for his energy in repairing the Legislative Halls.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the Council adjourned until Tuesday the 9th instant at ten o'clock, A. M.

TUESDAY, DECEMBMR 2, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes introduced—

An act changing the county seat of the county of Valencia.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved that the act be referred to a special committee consisting of the two members from the county of Valencia.

Agreed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act entitled an act amending the law providing for the service of process in civil causes by the means of publication.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion the bill was referred to the standing committee on judiciary.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

An act authorizing the Probate Judges of the different counties to draw warrants, in favor of those precincts which construct their own public school houses.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the act was referred to the standing committee on education.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

A (special) bill for precinct number 8 of the county of San Miguel.

Originated in the Council,

The House of Representatives concurred in its passage with an amendment.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the amendment was adopted.

A (special) bill for precinct No. 16 of the county of Rio Arriba.

Originated in the House of Representatives,

Was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee.

The committee was composed of honorables Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva and Marcelo Vigil.

A bill entitled an act changing the dividing lines of precincts 3 and 13 of the county of Doña Ana.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time and passed.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Councl was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

On motion of Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes the Council adjourned until to-morrow at ten o'clock, a. m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was still in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committee were annonnced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on public printing has the honor to report to the council that it has had under consideration the joint resolution relative to the printing of the Governor's message as amended by the House of Representatives and recomends its passage, the committee has further examined a joint resolution originated in the House of Representatives and respectfully recomends its passage.

FRNCISCO P. ABREU,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the amendment to the resolntion be adopted.

Agreed to.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A joint resolution relative to the printing of the Governor's message.

On motion of Francisco P. Abreú the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the third time.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreú moved the passage of the resolution.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Consequently the resolution passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on vice and immorality to which was referred

An act forbiding the opening on certain hours on Sundays of mercantile business houses in the large towns of the Territory.

Has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has had said act under consideration, and the honor to submit to this body a substitute instead of the original and very respectfully asks that the substitute be adopted instead of the original.

Respectfully,
NEPOMUCENO SILNA,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the substitute be read for the information of the Council.

Agreed to.

The act substitute was read

Hon. Francisco Salazar in the chair.

A comunication from the Governor was announced and received.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the report with the original act, and the substitute were referred to the same committee on vice and immorality.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Santiago Baca made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The speciai committee of one member from each county to which was referred

The petition of the inhabitants of precinct number 8 of the county of San Miguel, to elevate a memorial to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in reference to lands sold by the Pueblo Indians of the diferent Pueblos of this Territory.

Has the honor to present the accompaning memorial and recomends its passage.

SANTIAGO BACA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the report of the committee was adopted.

The memorial was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the report together with the memorial was referred to the same committee.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca ond John D. Bail.

Consequently the report and memorial was referred.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved that honorable J. Bonifacio Chaves be appointed chairman of said committee.

Not agreed.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

A bill entitled a special act declaring a public road in precinct number 1 of the county of San Miguel.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of, Hon. Santiago Baca the act passed.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

An act defining the crime of aggravated assault and battery and prescribing the punishment of the same,

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee of three consisting of honorables Francisco Salazar, Vicente Romero and J. Bonifacio Chaves.

A joint resolution thanking the honorable W. G. Ritch Secretary of the Territory for his energy in repairing the Legislative Halls.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read third time.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to strick out the words that a copy of this resolution he sent to the Auditor of the U. S. Treasury.

Agreed to.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the resolution passed.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

A bill re-establishing the precincts of the county of Colfax.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu in the chair.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the act passed.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

An act special for the county of Doña Ana.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On of honorable John D. Bail the act was referred to a committee consisting of the Senator from the District of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A bill to increase the salary of the Probate Judge of the county of Doña Ana.

Originated in this body,

The House concurred in its passage without any amendment.

A bill declaring a public road from La Mesilla to Santo Tomas in the county of Doña Ana,

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Mr. Bail moved to refer the act to the standing committee on Judiciary.

Agreed to.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announand received.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Council adjourned until three P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Hon Francisco Salazar in the chair.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the Speaker's table.

A joint resolution relative to authorizing his excellency the Governor to appoint a proper person to draft forms for the use of the justices of the peace in this Territory,

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the resolution was referred to the standing committee on Judiciary.

A (special) bill for precinct number 11 of the county of Doña Ana.

Originated in the House of Representatives,

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time and passed.

On motion of Hon Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended to take action on the Governor's report.

The standing committee on Judiciary made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The committee on Judiciary to which was referred—

An act entitled an act amending the law providing for the service of process in civil causes by the means of publication.

Has had the same under advisement; your committee upon

examination of said bill has concluded to present a substitute therefor and respectfully recommends the passage thereof.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The substitute bill was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Councl was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Santiago Bacaa in the chair.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 3 o'clock P. M.

Agreed to.

Consequently the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 3 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to excuse honorable Nicolas Pino from attending to day's session.

Agreed to.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business were called in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in o der by the President.

None.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved a call of the Council.

Agreed.

The roll was called and honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves and Francisco P. Abreu were absent.

The door of the Council was ordered to be clossed.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca a warrant was issued to compel the attendance of the absent members.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Council took a recess during the absence of the sergeant.

The Council was called to order.

The Sergeant returned that he had arrested the absent members.

Who were ordered to lay their excuse before the Council for their absence.

The members presented their excuse and the same being adopted took their seats.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the further call of the Council be dispensed with.

Agreed to.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 13, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Manuel Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, fohe coun of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties ot Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on education to which was referred

An act authorizing the Probate Judges of the different counties to draw warrants, in favor of those precincts which construct their own public school houses.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and te act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act changing the county seat of the county of Valencia.

Has had the same under advisement and returns the same without any amendment recomending its passage.

JUAN SALAZAR Y JIMENES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time and passed.

Hon. John D. Bail made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

A (special) act for the county of Doña Ana.

Has had the same under advisement and has the honor to report it back without any amendment recomending its passage.

JOHN D. BAIL,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joints resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act entitled an act to prevent cruel treatment to annimals in this Territory,

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the act was laid on the table indefinitely.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that a seat be granted to the Hon. Judge of Probate of this county during the present session within the bar of the Council.

Hon. J. B. Chaves introduced—

A bill amending an act entitled an act relative to the punishment of crimes in this Territory approved February 1, 1872.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to the standing committee on Judiciary.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act entitled an act establishing a charity hospital in the county of Doña Ana

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved to amend as follows: Strike

out the words "out of the Territorial Treasury" and insert "out of the county treasury of the county of Doña Ana."

Hon. John D. Bail moved that the amendment be laid on the table indefinitely and the act referred to a special committee of one member from each county or senatorial district.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved that the act and amendment be referred together.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Pablo Padilla, Juan Salazar y Jimenes and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, John D. Bail, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Francisco Salazar.

Consequently the act and amendment were referred.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that they have examined

An act increasing the salary of the probate judge of the county of Doña Ana.

A joint resolution.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The Speaker announced having signed the act and resolution above mentioned.

Originated in the Council,

The House of Representatives concurred in its passage thereof.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced In order.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva introduced—

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Santa Ana.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspendcd and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on vice and immorality to which was referred

An act forbiding the opening on certain hours on Sundays of mercantile business houses in the large towns of the Territory.

Has the honor to report that they has had the same under advisement and returns the same with the accompanying suqstitute.

Respectfully,
NEPOMUCENO SILNA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The act substitute was read

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens offered to amend by striking out section six of said act.

Hon. John D. Cail moved to lay the amendment on the table indefinitely.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 5—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorable John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva and Marcelo Vigil.

Consequently the amendment was not laid on the table.

The amendment offered by Mr. Stevens was put to a vote and adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offered to amend by striking out the words "and otherwise."

Agreed to.

Hon Francisco Salazar moved to refer the act to a committee of the whole.

Agreed to.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Agreed to.

Consequently the Council adjourned until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of

San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was still in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

The President named the committee to which was referred

An act creating and stablishing a charity hospital in the county of Doña Ana.

The committe consisted of honorables Bail, Vigil, Romero, Salazar Francisco, Beca, Silva, Stevens, Salazaa y Jimenes Juan and Padilla.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves moved that the Council be constituted in a committee of the hall to take action of.

An act prohibiting the keeping open of stores, dram shops and bar-rooms on Sundays, in this Territory.

Agreed.

The Council was declared in committee of the whole and Mr. Francisco Salazar called to the chair to preside.

Francisco Salazar appealed from the decision of the chair.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 1.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pias, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens and Marcelo Vigil.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the decision of the chair was sustained, and Mr. Salazar took the chair and called the committee of the whole to order.

On motion of honorable J. Bonifacio Chaves the committee of the whole was raised.

The President in the chair, the Council was called to order.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. J. B. Chaves moved that the Council be constituted in a committee of the whole.

Agreed to.

The committee of the whole was called to order.

The committee of the whole was raised.

The Council was called to order and proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The chairman of the committee of the whole reported progress.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved that the substitute letter "B" to act number 5 entitled an act prohibiting that stores, dram shops and bar rooms, be kept open on Sunday and for other purpose, be referred to be printed thirty copies Spanish and twenty in English.

Agreed to.

Hon. Faancisco Salazar moved that the chief clerk be instructed to inquire from the Secretary of the Territory which is the printing office contracted for public printing.

Not agreed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

A communication from his Excelency the Governor was read which is as follows:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
SANTA FÉ, December 15, 1873.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable House of Representatives that I have this day approved and signed—

A bill to increase the salary of the Probate Judge of the county of Doña Ana.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion the communication was received.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves in the chair.

The following communication was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe, December 15. 1873.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

Sir—I have the honor through you, to submit to the Legislative Council for its advice and consent the name of Trinidad Alarid for the office of Auditor of Public Accounts.

Also the name of Antonio Ortiz y Salazar for the office of Territorial Treasurer.

Also the name of John D. Bail for the office of Attorney for the third judicial district.

Also the name of Benjamin Stevens for the office of Attorney for the second judicial district.

Also the name of William Breeden for the office of Attorney General.

Also the name of Thomas S. Tucker for the office of Adjutant General.

Also the name of Edward Miller for the office of Quarter Master General.

Also the name of James C. McKenzie for the office of Territorial Librarian.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the communication was received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council should go into secret session to take action on the appointment of the officers submitted by his Excellency the Governor to the Council.

Agreed to.

The Council in secret session proceeded as follows.

The name of Trinidad Alarid as auditor of public accounts was put before the Council for approval.

The question was put and the name of Trinidad Alarid was unanimously confirmed.

The name of honorable Antonio Ortiz y Salazar for the office of Territorial Treasury was put before the Council for confirmation.

The question was put and unanimously adopted.

Hon. John D. Bail for the office of District Attorney for the third Judicial District was put before the Council for confirmation.

The question was put and unanimously adopted.

Hon. John D. Bail was excused from voting.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens was announced as District Attorney for the second judicial district and uuanimously confirmed.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens was excused from voting.

The name of honorable William Breeden was laid before the council for the office of Attorney General which was unanimously confirmed.

The name of Thomas S. Tucker, was laid before the council for the office of Adjutant General and unanimously confirmed.

The name of Edward Miller was laid before the council for confirmation as quarter-master and unanimously confirmed.

The name of James C. McKenzie was laid before the council for confirmation as Librarian and unanimously confirmed.

The secret session was raised.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to suspend the rules to make a report of standing committee to which was referred.

An act entitled an act establishing a charity hospital in the county of Doña Ana

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the bill and amendment were referred to be printed.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Councl was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Agreed to.

Consequently the Council adjourned until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

TUESDAY, DECEMBMR 16, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of bùsiness.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

A bill entitled an act changing the county seat of the county of Valencia,

Originated in the Council,

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage thereof.

An Act entitled An Act regulating work on acequias and branches of acequias in this territory.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has examined

An act changing the county seat of the county of Valencia.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named act.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the President's table.

An act especial incorporating the acequias in precinct number 2 and 3 of the county of Socorro.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

A committee from the house of representatives was announced and received and through its Chairman requested the signature of the President to the following acts.

An act changing the dividing line of precincts number 3 and 12 of the county of Doña Ana.

A bill (special) for precinct number 11 of the county of Doña Ana.

A bill (special) for precinct number 11 of the county of Taos,

The President announced having signed the forgoing named acts.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of Hon. Pablo Padilla the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of the senator from the county of Socorro.

A bill amending an act entitled an act relative to the punishment of crimes in this Territory approved February 1, 1872.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

A bill (special) declaring the public roads in precinct number 1 of the county of San Miguel.

Originated in the Council.

The House of Representatives concurred in its passage with out amendment.

A joint resolution relative to the appointment of joint committee to investigate into the disbursements made to the Adjutant General out of the Territorial Treasury.

Originated in the House of Representatives,

Was read the first time.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The following communication of the Gobernor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Dec. 17, 1873.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, Prcsident of the Legislative Council.

I have the honor herewith to transmit to you and through you to the honorable Council a memorial and resolutions adopted at the recent "Irrigation Convention," so called, held in Denver, Colorado, with accompanying papers, and the subject of the memorial being of great importance to the people of New Mexico, I have deemed it proper to lay the papers and the whole matter before you, in the hope that the subject will be duly considered, and the will of the members of both branches of the legislature be expressed thereon, by memorial, joint resolution or otherwise, and be made known to the Congress of the United States.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of Governor was received.

The documents accompanying the communication of the Governor were read.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the documents accompanying the comunication were referred to the standing committee on internal improvements.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act increasing the salary of the probate judge of the county of Doña Ana.

A joint resolution relative to the printing of the Governor's message.

An act changing the county seat of the county of Valencia.

Have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 13 day of December.

Respectfully,

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

The report of the committee was adopted.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

A bill entitled an act equalizing the taxes on Herds, Horses etc., in the different counties of this Territory.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benj. Stevens the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. Benjaming Stevens introduced—

An act entitled an act amending the revenue laws of the Territory.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

A joint resolution to appropiate fifty dollars for the use of lights in both houses.

Was read the first time.

Hon Francisco Salazar in the chair.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the resolution was referred to the standing committee on finance.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil introduced—

A memorial to the Postmaster General of the United States asking the establishment of a tri-weekly mail from Santa Fé to Taos.

Which was read the first time.

On motionof honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the memorial was referred to be priuted.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was still in order.

Hon. Vicente Romero introduced—

An act relative to peddlers.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorrble Francisco Salazar the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

A bill repealing an act to establish Police Guards in this Terrritory.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to the standing committee on territorial affairs.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joints resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

An act concerning notices of the pendency of certain suits in the district court relative real estate,

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the act was referred to be printed and translated.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on Judiciary to which was referred

An act entitled an act relative to the punishment of crimes in this Territory.

Has had the same under advisement and recomends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Member of the committee.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the report was adopted.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion the act passed.

Hon. Santiago Baca introduced—

An act extending the southern boundary of precinct number 21 of the county of San Miguel.

Which was read the first time,

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the act passed.

Business on the President table were announced in order by the President.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Socorro.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

An act in reference to contested elections to the different offices in this Territory.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A./M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10--Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business were called in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in o der by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on territorial affairs to which was referred

An act repealing an act establishing police guards in the different precincts of this Territory,

And designating the duties and powers of the same has the honor to report that has had the same under it advisement and most respectfully recomends its passage.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 6—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, and Vicente Romero.

Being a tie vote the report was not adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the passage of the act.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, and Vicente Romero.

Consequently the act passed.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Pablo Padilla made the following report:

The special committee to which was referred

A special act incorporating the acequias in precinct 2 and 3 of the county of Socorro,

Has the honor to report that it has had the same under advisement and returns the same with the accompanying amendments.

PABLO PADILLA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

The act with the following amendment was read the third time:

Amendment:—That in section two the word precinct No. 2 be striken out and the words precinct No. 3 be inserted and in section nine strike out the word "sorteo" and insert therein "by new election."

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the amendment to the act be adopted.

Agreed to.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vieente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco Salazar, and Marcelo Vigil.

Consequently the act passed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that they have examined

A bill entitled a special act declaring a public road in precinct number 1 of the county of San Miguel.

A (special) bill for precinct number 8 of the county of San Miguel.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The Speaker announced having signed the act and resolution above mentioned.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

Hon. Santiago Baca introduced—

An act entitled an act creating and establishing the office of county attorneys.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjtmin Stevens the was referred to the standing committee on counties with instructions to have it printed.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens with suspension of the introduced the following resolution:

Resolution of the Council.

Resolved that the standing committee on printing be and is hereby instructed to inquire from the public printer who furnished the list of the Territorial officers printed in the rules for this session and that such committee report to this honorable body the answer they receive.

On motion of honorable Francsico Salazar the resolution was adopted.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. J. B. Chaves introduced—

A bill amending the revenue law of the Territory,

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examined

A special act concerning public roads in precinct number 3 of the county of San Miguel.

A special act declaring a public road in precinct number 1 of the county of San Miguel.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 17 day of December.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Counci adjourned until three P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

A communication from his Excelency the Governor was read which is as follows:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
SANTA FE, December 17, 1873.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable House of Representatives that I have this day approved and signed—

A bill entitled a special act declaring a public road in precinct number 1 of the county of San Miguel.

A (special) bill for precinct number 8 of the county of San Miguel.

An act changing the county seat of the county of Valencia.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion the communication was received.

An act forming a district of acequias of precincts numbers 3, 13 and 6 of the the county of Doña Ana.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to a special committee composed of the Senator from Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

An act repealing an act approved January 11, 1866.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Santiago Baca in the chair.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the act passed.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and a memorial to the Postmaster General praying for the establishment of a tri-weekly mail from Santa Fe to Fernandez de Taos.

Was read the third time passed.

On motion of honorable J. Bonifacio Chaves the Council was constituted in a committee of the whole to deliberate on

An act entitled an act prohibiting that stores, dram shops and bar roooms should be kept open on Sunday and for other purposes.

The Council in a committee of the whole.

The Council was called to order by the President.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens chairman of the committee of the whole reported that the committee has had under advisement

An act prohibiting the keeping open of stores, dram shops and bar rooms on Sundays, in this Territory.

And recommends the passage thereof with the accompanying amendments.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved the adoption of the report.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vieente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco Salazar, and Marcelo Vigil.

Consequently the report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offered the following amendment that this act shall not be in force in the county of Rio Arriba.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the Council adjourned until 7 P. MR to-day.

EVENING SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Manuel Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties ot Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

On motion of honorable J. Bonitacio Chaves action was taken on

An act entitled an act prohibiting that the stores, dram shops and bar rooms should be kept open on Sunday.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the adoption of the amendment offered by him.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 11.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens. —

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan

Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Consequently the amendment was not adopted.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 8—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Nicolas Pino, John D. Bail, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the act passed.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the President's table.

A committee from the House was announced and received and through its chairman reported that the House has concurred in the passage of

An act entitled an act creating an additional precinct in Santa Ana county.

A bill repealing an act to establish Police Guards in this Terrritory.

A joint resolution.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar in the chair,

Hon. Pedro Sanchez offered the following amendment:

That after the word education be inserted "an taxation."

Agreed to.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez introduced the following resolution additional to the above resolution:

Resolved, That Hon. Wm. Breeden, Attorney General of

the Territory be requested to assist the committee above mentioned.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the additional resolution was adopted.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read third time.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved the passage of the resolution.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the resolution passed.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on Finance to which was referred

A joint resolution

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

Amendment—Not to exceed the sum of ——— according to the exact account of said clerks.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the amendment was adopted.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Councl was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business were called in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in o der by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that in accordance with the parliamentary rules of this body it proceed to the appointment of a vice president for the Council, proposing honorable Marcelo Vigil.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the motion was adopted.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that they have examined

A bill creating a new precinct in Santa Ana county.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The Speaker announced having signed the act above mentioned.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. John D. Bail made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act forming a district of acequias of precincts number 3 13 and 6 of the county of Doña Ana.

Has had the same under advisement and has the honor to report it back without amendment recommending its passage.

JOHN D. BAIL,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on territorial affairs to which was referred

An act entitled an act creating and establishing the office of county attorneys.

Have the honor to report to this honorable body that they has had the same under it advisement and return the same without any amendment.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the act was referred to a special committee consisting of honorables Santiago Baca, John D. Bail and Vicente Romero,

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joints resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

A bill amending an act concerning grand and petit jurors.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benj. Stevens the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Santa Ana.

Has been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 18th day of December.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announ- and received.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

An act in reference to contested elections to the different offices in this Territory.

Was read the third time.

Hon. Santiago Baca offered the following amendment:

Provided, That sections 2, 3, and 4 of this act shall not be applicable to any contested election which may arise a year after the passage of this act.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the amendment was adopted.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved the passage of the act.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 11—Noes 1.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Pablo Padilla.

Consequently the act passed.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

A joint resolution relative to appropriate out of the Territorial Treasury funds for the purpose of firnishing lights for both houses.

Was read the third time.

Hon. Santiago Baca presented the following resolution:

Resolved that the Secretary of the Territory be and is hereby requested to furnish additional lights for the transaction of business in the Council.

On motion of Francisco P. Abreú the rules were suspended and the resolution

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received who reported through its chairman that they were a committee of the House instructed to request another committee of the same number to confer upon the amendment to the joint resolution relative to appoint a committee on education and taxation.

Which was originated in the House of Representatives.

On motion of honorable Beujamin Stevens the committee was appointed consisting of honorables Benjamin Stevens, Francisco P. Abreu and Vicente Romero.

The chief clerk was instructed to inform the House of Representatives of the committee appointed by the Council.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to,

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of honorable Nicolás Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

The following communication of the Secretary of the Territory was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
SANTA FE, December 18, 1873.

Hon. Predo Sanchez, President of the Legislative Council.

Sir—Yours with the resolution requesting additional lights to be furnished to the Council has been received in answer I have to say that it will afford me pleasure to furnish such additional lights as will be necessary to the convenient transaction of your business.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant,
W. G. RITCH,
Secretary Territory.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the communication was received.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

The following communication of the Gobernor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Dec. 18, 1873.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable Legislative Council that I have this day approved and signed—

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Santa Ana.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of Governor was received.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the joint resolution appropriating $50 out of the Territorial Treasury was considered as unfinished business and suspended further action until January 9th, 1874.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at ten o'clock a. m.

The motion was adopted.

Consequently the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, a. m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil presented a petition tendering his resignation as vice president of the Council.

Hon. John D. Bail moved the adoption of the petition.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 6—noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Benjamin Stevens and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes and Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the question was lost and the petition rejected.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received and through its chairman requested the signature of the President of the Council to the following—

A bill re-establishing the precincts of the county of Colfax.

An act special for the county of Doña Ana.

An act repealing an act approved January 11, 1866.

The President announced having signed the foergoing named acts.

Hon. John D. Bail announce that he would move to reconsider his vote next day.

Hon. Santiago Baca asked to reconsider his vote.

Agreed to.

The vote was changed accordingly.

Therefore the petition was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar announced that he would offer an amendment to rule three of the parliamentary rules next day.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has examined

An act repealing an act establishing police guards in the different precincts of this Territory,

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named act.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on printing has the honor to report that they have been verbally informed by the Secretary of the Territory that by an act of congress of May 8, 1872, the sum of four thousand dollars is only allowed for printing, the committee recomends that all the laws and joint resolutions ordered to be printed by this body, be forwarded to the Secretary for that purpose.

FRNCISCO P. ABREU,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred—

An act additional to the criminal law.

Has had the same under advisement and recomends a substitute to be passed in its place.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The substitute bill was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The joint committee of conference on the disagreement of the two houses on the house joint resolution as to appointing a joint committee to revise the laws in regard to education and taxation, to which the Council added an amendment—said committee of conference most respectfully reports that the Council recedes from its amendment to said joint resolution and recommends that each house nominate its committee under said resolution.

BENJAMIN STEVENS,
Chairman of the Committee of the Council.
W. H. HENRIE,
Chairman of the committee of the House.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

The committee named by the chair were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Vicente Romero.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the chief clerk was instructed to inform the House of the appointment of said committee.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced—

An act entitled an act relative to justices of the peace in this Territory.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the act was referred to be printed.

Hon Francisco Salazar in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez introduced—

An act in reference to Rio del Pueblo of San Jeronimo de Taos.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to be printed.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announ-
and received.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

A bill entitled an act amending the divorce law in this Territory passed in 1871 and 1872.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Socorro.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the act passed.

An Act entitled An Act regulating work on acequias and branches of acequias in this territory.

Originated in the Honse of Representatives.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of Francisco Salazar Nepomuceno Silva and Juan Salazar y Jimenes.

An act entitled an act relative to the punishment of crimes in this Territory.

Was read the second time.

A communication from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

An act concerning notices of the pendency of certain suits in the district court relative real estate,

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the act was referred to a special committee of three members consisting of honorables J. B. Chaves, Francisco Salazar and Marcelo Vigil.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Councl was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 20, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in o der by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on territorial affairs to which was referred

An act increasing the salary of the Auditor of Public Accounts and of the Treasurer of the Territory.

Has had the same under advisement and has the honor to submit a substitute there to.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

The substitute was read the first time

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved that the substitute be laid on the table indefinitely.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 6—Noes 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Nicolas Pino, John D. Bail, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Consequently the act was not laid on the table.

On motion of honorable Benj. Stevens the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to be printed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

A bill repealing an act to establish Police Guards in this Terrritory.

Has been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 18th day of December.

Respectfully,

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

A committee from the house of representatives was announced and received and through its Chairman requested the signature of the President to the following acts.

An act forming a district of acequias of precincts number 3 13 and 6 of the county of Doña Ana.

The President announced having signed the above act.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joints resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Nicolas Pino introduced—

An act repealing an act creating an additional precinct in the county of Santa Fé.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspendcd and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act authorizing the sale of lands for the purpose of partition.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to be printed.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Santiago Baca made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The speciai committee of one member from each county to which was referred

A petition of the inhabitants of precinct number 8 of the

county of San Miguel to draft a memorial praying congress of the United States that an act be passed, to secure the property purchased from the different Pueblo Indians of this Territory.

Has the honor to present the accompaning memorial and recomends its passage.

SANTIAGO BACA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the report of the committee was adopted.

The memorial was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time.

On motionof honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read third time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the memorial was referred to be priuted.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on Internal Improvements to which was referred

A message of the Governor of this Territory enclosing the communications of the Governor of Colorado with the memorial adopted by the Irrigation Convention

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

The report was adopted.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were annonnced in order.

An act defining the crime of aggravated assault and battery and prescribing the punishment of the same,

Was read the third time and passed.

An act increasing the salary of the Auditor and Territorial Treasurer.

Was read the third time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Benjamin Stevens, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Bacá, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero.

Consequently the act passed.

An act amending the divorce law in this Territory.

Originated in the Council,

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the act was referred to a special committee consisting of honorables John D. Bail, Francisco Salazar and Nicolas Pino.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

An act entitled an act amending the revenue laws of the Territory.

Was read third time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar in the chair.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the resolution was referred to the standing committee on finance.

An act to amend an act amending the revenue law of the Territory of New Mexico.

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the bill was referred to a joint committee of conference to draft a system of education and taxation.

A bill entitled an act equalizing the taxes on Herds, Horses etc., in the different counties of this Territory.

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Pedro Sanchez the act was referred to the same joint committee.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

An act entitled an act establishing and prescribing the duties of justices of the peace in this Territory.

Was read the third time.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves moved that the act be put on the table indefinitely.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva, and the President.

Consequently the act was not laid on the table.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to the standing committee on Judiciary.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report.

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee of the member of the county of Rio Arriba to which was referred

A (special) bill for precinct No. 16 of the county of Rio Arriba.

Has the honor to report to this honorable body that he has had the same under advisement and recommends that the act be referred to be printed and passed.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the report was adopted and the act referred to be printed.

Hon. Nicolas Pino introduced—

An act bonding the debt of the county of Santa Fé.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

A bill amending an act concerning grand and petit jurors in this Territory approved January 31, 1872.

Was read the third time.

Hon J. Bonifacio Chaves offered the following amendment to wit: "for which service he shall receive the same compensation that now is assigned for the service made in the venire under existing laws.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the act passed as amended.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act concerning notices of the pendency of certain suits in the district courts, concerning real estate.

Has had the same under advisement and report the same with the accompanying amendments and recommends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the Spanish copy of the act was considered as the original.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the bill passed.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Counci adjourned until three P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

An act amending an act entitled an act concerning the punishment of crimes in this Territory approved February 1, 1872.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was rejected.

An act to authorize the sale of real estate for the purpose of partition.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved that the act be referred to a special committee of three.

Agreed to.

The committee consisted of Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Pablo Padilla.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 11.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were sus-

pended and action was taken on the business on the President's table.

A bill amending an act entitled an act relative to the punishment of crimes in this Territory approved February 1, 1872.

Originated in the Council.

The House of Representatives concurred in its passage without any amendment.

A memorial to the Postmaster General of the United States asking the establishment of a tri-weekly mail from Santa Fé to Taos.

Originated in this body,

The House concurred in its passage without any amendment.

An act to create and establish an additional precinct and defining certain boundaries in various precincts of the county of San Miguel.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of the senators from the county of San Miguel.

An act to amend the law relative to suits in attachments.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Pablo Padilla the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion the bill was referred to the standing committee on judiciary.

An act relative to peddlers.

Was read the third time.

On motion the act was referred to the standing committee on finance.

A communication of the honorable Secretary of the Territory was read.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the communication was left on the table to take action upon it to-morrow.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called, which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

TUESDAY, DECEMBMR 23, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez,

for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report that they are unaware of the condition of those bills which ought to be engrossed for the reason that the engrossing clerk is not present.

FRANCISCO P. ABREU,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to lay the report indefinitely on the table.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Nepomuceno Silva and Mr. President.

Consequently the report was not laid on the table.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Santiago Baca made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act creating and establishing the office of county attorneys.

Has had the same under advisement and most respectfully recommends the passage of the accompanying substitute.

SANTIAGO BACA,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

The substitute was read the first time

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved to strike out the words Santa Fe.

Agreed.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves moved to insert Valencia and Taos.

Agreed to.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to strike out the words three dollars.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 2—noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, and the President.

Consequently the motion was lost.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the act passed.

Order of the day.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Santiago Baca introduced—

An act repealing an act special for precinct number 3 of the county of San Miguel approved January 27, 1872.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the bill passed.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

A joint resolution.

Was read the second time.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to refer the resolution to a special committee.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero.

Consequently the resolution was referred to a special committee.

A memorial relative to purchase of lands from Indian grants.

Was read the third time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offered to amend as follows:

That the words "Pueblo of Pecos" be striken out.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the amendment was not adopted.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the memorial passed.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

A communication of the house of representatives informing of the appointment of honorables W. H. Henrie, M. W. Mills and Candelario Garcia as a joint committee of conference on the subject of education and taxation.

Hon. Vicente Romero moved that the communication be received.

Agreed to.

A bill entitled an act to create a judgment lien on real estate

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

Mr. Bail moved to refer the act to the standing committee on Judiciary.

Agreed to.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of

San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

A bill to require from the justices of the peace of the Ter-

ritory of New Mexico to repair the public roads within their respective precincts

Was read the first time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar in the chair.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Pedro Sanchez the act was referred to a special committee composed of honorables Pedro Sanchez, Francisco Salazar and Pablo Padilla.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that a committee of three be appointed to visit honorable Benjamin Stevens in his sick bed.

The motion was adopted.

The committee was composed of Messrs. Sanchez, Abrcú and Pino.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. J. B. Chaves introduced—

An act authorizing the construction of a court house and jail in the county of Valencia.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Pa-

dilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the act passed.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of

An act to bond the debt of the county of Santa Fe.

Originated in this body, with the following amendment on section 2d line 14 to insert eight per cent.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the amendment was adopted and the act received.

An act entitled an act amending the practice in the District Court in civil causes.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of honorables Francisco Salazar, John D. Bail and Francisco P. Abreu.

An act entitled an act regulating docket fees in certain cases.

Was read the first time.

An act abolishing the office of Quarter Master General of the Territory of New Mexico.

Which was read the first time,

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu offered the following amendment to the act.

That the adjutant general of the Territory shall receive the sum of two thousand dollars for his services and the payment of clerk and office rent.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act together with the amendment was referred to the standing committee on militia.

A joint resolution in regard to the irrigation convention held in Denver, Colorado.

Originated in the Honse of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the resolution was laid on the table temporarily.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received and through its chairman requested the signature of the President of the Council to the following—

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Socorro.

An act especial incorporating the acequias in precinct number 2 and 3 of the county of Socorro.

An act in reference to contested elections to the different offices in this Territory.

The President announced having signed the foregoing named acts.

An act giving additional jurisdistion to justices of the peace in certain cases.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

An act entitled an act assigning a penalty to the comissioners of fences in precinct number 14 of Las Truchas in the county of Rio Arriba.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

A bill establishing the right of certain persons to the water of the Puerco River in the county of Bernalillo and for other purposes.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the act passed.

A (special) bill for precinct number 5 county of Taos.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Santiago Baca in the chair.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the act passed.

A (special) bill for precinct number 15 of the county of San Miguel declaring a public road.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

An act for the relief of Lorenzo Romero.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

The following communication of the Governor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Dec. 19, 1873.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, Prcsident of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable Legislative Council that I have this day approved and signed—

An act repealing an act establishing police guards in the different precincts of this Territory,

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of the Governor was received.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at ten o'clock a. m.

The motion was adopted.

Consequently the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, a. m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were annonnced in order.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

A communication of the military relative to the establishment of a telegraph line was read and received.

Hon. Vicente Romero moved the appointment of a special committee to draft a memorial for the purpose.

Agreed to.

The committee consisted of honorables Francisco P. Abreu Vicente Romero and Santiago Baca.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act defining the crime of aggravated assault and battery and prescribing the punishment of the same,

A memorial to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named act.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

Hon. Santiago Baca made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee of the members from the county of San Miguel to which was referred

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of San Miguel,

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage.

SANTIAGO BACA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Bills and joint resolutions on 2ndreading were announced in order.

An act designating a penalty to fence commissioners in precinct number 14 of the county of Rio Arriba.

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time and passed.

An act regulating fees in the prosecution of criminal cases, and other purposes.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

An act giving additional jurisdictiou to justices of the peace in certain causes.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and te act

Was read the third time and passed.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

Au act for the relief of Lorenzo Romero.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has examined

A bill amending an act entitled an act relative to the punishment of crimes in this Territory approved February 1, 1872.

A memorial to the Postmaster General of the United States asking the establishment of a tri-weekly mail from Santa Fé to Taos.

Has been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 24th day of December.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

An act to amend the practice in civil cases in the district court.

Originated in the House of Representatives,

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benj. Stevens the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to be printed.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Valencia.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the act was referred to a special committee composed of the two members of the county of Valencia.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10--Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on judiciary to which was referred

An act entitled an act to amend the law relating to suits by attachments.

Has had the same under advisement and has the honor to report it back without amendment recommending its passage.

BENJAMIN STEVENS,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion the act passed.

The standing committee on Judiciary made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The committee on Judiciary to which was referred—

An act establishing and defining the duties of justices of the peace in this Territory.

Has had the same under advisement; your committee upon examination of said bill has concluded to present a substitute therefor and respectfully recommends the passage thereof.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the Committee.

The substitute bill was read the first time.

Hon. Franciscos Salazar moved that the report and substitute be laid on the table indefinitely.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved to proceed with the question pending upon this morning adjournment.

Hon. Francisco Salazar withdrew his motion of putting the act and report on the table indefinitely.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act and report were adopted.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act to incorporate Silver City in the county of Grant and for other purposes.

Which was read the first time,

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of honorables Benjamin Stevens, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Francisco P. Abreu.

An act to amend the law relative to attachments.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the act passed.

An act relative to attachments,

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Santiago Baca in the chair.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the act passed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act authorizing the Probate Judge of Grant county to exercise certain duties

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the act was referred to a special committee consisting of honorables Benjamin Stevens J. B. Chaves and F. P. Abreu.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved to take action out of order on

An act entitled an act to amend the practice in civil causes in the district court.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the third time.

Hon. J. B. Chaves moved that the substitute be laid on the table indefinitely.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 6—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, and Mr. President.

Consequently the act was not laid on the table.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

A (special) bill for precinct No. 16 of the county of Rio Arriba.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the third time and passed.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the President's table.

A comunication from the Governor was announced and received.

The following communication of the Governor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Dec. 25, 1873.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable Legislative Council that I have this day approved and signed—

An act amending an act entitled an act concerning the punishment of crimes in this Territory approved February 1, 1872.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of the Governor was received.

An act entitled an act to authorize a license for the game of Chusas.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to lay the act on the table as unfinished business.

Agreed to.

A bill reducing the salary of the Adjutant General and for other purposes.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

An act increasing the salary of the Auditor and Territorial Treasurer.

Originated in this body,

The House concurred in its passage with the following amendment.

Amendment—that all acts and parts of acts in conflict with this are hereby repealed.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act so amended passed.

Au act substitute to an act amending the law for the service of process by publication.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Pablo Padilla the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu offered the following amendment:

"That this act shall be in force from and after its passage."

Agreed to.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

A communication from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on Finance to which was referred

An act relative to peddlers.

An act entitled an act amending the revenue laws of the Territory.

Has had the same under advisement and returns the same without any recommendations.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francsico Salazar the resolution was adopted.

An act authorizing the construction of a court house and jail in the county of Valencia

Originated in the Council.

The House of Representatives concurred in its passage with the following amendment:

And be it further enacted, That the place for the county of Valencia shall be designated by a majority of the legal voters of the county and the election shall be held on the first Monday of September, 1874.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar a committee of three was appointed for the purpose of conferring with a like committee of the House on the amendment to the above named act.

The committee was composed of Messrs. Salazar, Salazar y Jimenes and Chaves.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The committee reported have complied with their commission and that the House had appointed another committee for purpose mentioned.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 27, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Vicente Romero introduced—

A memorial in relation to the Cimarron Indian agency.

The memorial was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the memorial was referred to be printed.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were annonnced in order.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes introduced—

A (special) act for precinct number 3 of the county of Valencia.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

An act substitute amending an act concerning revenue of justices of the peace and constables.

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to strike out the word substitute.

Not agreed.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

A bill regulating the pay of the Adjutant General and for other purpose.

Was read third time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the act passed.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received and through its chairman requested the signature of the President of the Council to the following—

A (special) bill for precinct number 5 county of Taos.

A bill establishing the right of certain persons to the water of the Puerco River in the county of Bernalillo and for other purposes.

A (special) bill for precinct number 15 of the county of San Miguel declaring a public road.

The President announced having signed the foregoing named acts.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

An act repealing an act creating an additional precinct in the county of Santa Fé.

Originated in this body.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage thereof.

A bill creating an additional precinct in the the county of Lincoln.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to the senator of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A (special) act changing the southern line of precinct number 11 of the county of Doña Ana.

Originated in the Honse of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion the act passed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act to increase the salary of the Auditor and Treasurer of the Territory,

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named act.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examined

An act increasing the salary of the Auditor an Treasurer of the Territory.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 26th day of December.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. today.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chayes, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

An act to authorize a license for the game of chusas.

Originated in the House of Representatives was put on its passage.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to lay the report indefinitely on the table.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Nepomuceno Silva and Mr. President.

Consequently the report was not laid on the table.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu offered the following amendment to the act.

Amendment—that this act shall not have effect in the county of San Miguel.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the amendment be rejected.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca.

Consequently the amendmentt was rejected.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, and Vicente Romero.

Consequently the act passed.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero.

Consequently the Council adjourned until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in o der by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report.

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred—

An amendment made by the House of Representatives to

An act authorizing the construction of a court house and jail in the county of Valencia.

And not having being able to agree, recommends that the amendment be rejected.

Agreed to.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee to which was referred

An act authorizing the sale of lands for the purpose of partition.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends that the same be rejected.

Respectfully,
NEPOMUCENO SILNA,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves in the chair.

The following communication was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe, December 29, 1873.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

I have the honor to lay before you and the honorable Coun-

cil a communication of Wm. R. Price Major 8th cavalry whose views are endorsed by General Gregg of Santa Fe, New Mexico, in regard to a line of telegragh extending to the military posts throughout the military district of New Mexico, and which telegraph line might be made available for service purposes also to the great advantage of the government and the public generally. And I ask the examination of the matter by the Legislative Assembly of New Mexico, and if the project is deemed feasible, that the Legislative of New Mexico memorialize the government for the establishment of such telegraph lines.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the communication was received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved that the act be put on the table indefinitely.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result is as follows:

Ayes 4—Noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables David Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Consequently the act was not laid on the table.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved that the act be referred to a committee of one member from each county or Senatorial District.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil, and Mr. President.

Consequently the act was not referred.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved to refer the act to a special committee of three.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 11—Noes 15.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the act was referred.

The committee consisting of honorables Pedro Sanchez, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Vicente Romero.

A communication from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

A joint resolution relative to grant the Governor three hundred copies of his message.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the resolution was referred to be printed.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced the following resolution:

Whereas, Two of our most distinguished and useful citizens, Hon. Theodore Wheaton of the county of Mora, and Don Ramon Luna of Valencia county, have recently by decree of the great Law Maker of the universe, departed this life, and thus caused mourning throughout our Territory; therefore it.

Resolved, That while humbly bowing to the will of the disposer of all things, we cannot but grieve for the loss of these old and reliable friends of our people; and we tender our condolence to the families of the deceased, and express to them our warmest sympathies in their present bereavement.

Resolved further, That the clerk of this body furnish to the families of each of the deceased a copy of these resolutions.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the resolution was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of So-

corro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

An act (special) for the relief of Antonio Aban Romero and B. Jesus Marques.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 13—noes 0.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens Nepomuceno Silva and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables none.

Consequently the act passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act relative to bonds of sheriffs.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offered the following amendment:

"That in the place of fifteen days it shall read thirty days."

Agreed to.

On motion the bill was referred to the standing committee on judiciary.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu in the chair.

Hon, Pedro Sanchez made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act to authorize the sale of real estate for the purpose of partition.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage without any amendment.

PEDRO SANCHES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report of the committee was adopted.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to refer the act to a committee of the whole.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the act was not referred.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, and Vicente Romero.

Consequently the act passed.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

A bill creating an additional precinct in the the county of Lincoln.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the act was laid on the table indefinitely.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

A joint resolution relative to the printing of the Governor's message.

Has had the same under advisement and returns the same without any amendment recomending its passage.

FRNCISCO P. ABREU,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was refered

A communication of the A. A. A. General of the District of New Mexico, relative to the construction of a military telegraph to the different Posts of this Territory.

Having had the same under advicement the committee has the honor to report a memorial to congress of the United States relative to that effect.

FRANCISCO P. ABREU,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The memorial was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time,

Hon Francisco Salazar in the chair.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of honorables Pedro Sanchez, Pablo Padilla and Francisco Salazar.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act repealing an act creating an additional precinct in the county of Santa Fé.

An act to bond the debt of the county of Santa Fe.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named acts.

Hon. John D. Bail made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

A bill entitled an act amending the divorce law in this Territory passed in 1871 and 1872.

Has had the same under consideration and finding it improper recommends that it be laid on the table indefinitely.

JOHN D. BAIL,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the resolution was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to lay the act indefinitely on the table.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca.

Consequently the act was laid on the table.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act to incorporate Silver City in the county of Grant and for other purposes.

Has had the same under advisement and has the honor to report it back without amendment recommending its passage.

BENJAMIN STEVENS,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Benjaming Stevens introduced—

An act in reference to lease of the lands of the inhabitants of Chilili in the county of Bernalillo.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the act was referred to a special committee composed of the honorables John D. Bail, Benjamin Stevens and J. B. Chaves.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examined

An act bonding the debt of the county of Santa Fé.

An act repealing an act creating and establishing an additional precinct in the county of Santa Fe.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 30th day of December.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Council adjourned until three P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez,

for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. John D. Bail made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committe to which was referred

An act to provide for leasing the lands held and owned in common by the inhabitants of the merced of the town of Chilili in the county of Bernalillo or so much of said lands as it may be to the interest of the said inhabitants for school purposes,

Has had the same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Council with the recommendation that it pass without amendment.

JOHN D. BAIL,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the report was adopted.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Unfinished business in order.

An act entitled an act amending the practice in the District Court in civil causes.

Was passed.

An act relative to peddlers.

An act entitled an act amending the revenue laws of the Territory.

Was announced on its passage.

Hon. Vicente Romero moved that the act above mentioned be referred to a committee of three.

Agreed to.

The committee consisted of honorables Vicente Romero, Nicolas Pino and Francisco Salazar.

Hon. J. B. Chaves introduced—

An act authorizing the construction of court houses and jails in the different counties

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Santiago Baca in the chair.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the act passed.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of the following acts.

An act to amend the law relative to attachments.

An act concerning notices of the pendency of certain suits in the district court relative real estate,

An act repealing an act special for precinct number 3 of the county of San Miguel approved January 27, 1872.

An act in reference to venires of grand and petit jurors in the district courts and for other purposes.

An act especial for the county of San Miguel for the releaf of Antonio Aban Romero late Treasurer of said county and the releaf of B. Jesus Marquez late clerk of the Probate Court.

A bill creating an additional precinct in the county of Rio Arriba.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved to take action on

An act to provide for the lease of lands pertaining to the inhabitants of the Grant of Chilili.

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 5—Noes 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Vicente Romero, Benjamin Stevens, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

An act amending an act relative to a public road in the county of San Miguel.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the act passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the President's table.

The following communication of the Governor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Dec. 27, 1873.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable Legislative Council that I have this day approved and signed—

An act increasing the salary of the Auditor and Treasurer of the Territory.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of the Governor was received.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables,

Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1873.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were annonnced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introdaction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received and through its chairman requested the signature of the President of the Council to the following—

An act to create and establish an additional precinct and defining certain boundaries in various precincts of the county of San Miguel.

An act for the relief of Lorenzo Romero.

An act giving additional jurisdictiou to justices of the peace in certain causes.

An act entitled an act regulating docket fees in certain cases.

An act entitled an act assigning a penalty to the comissioners of fences in precinct number 14 of Las Truchas in the county of Rio Arriba.

An act to amend the law relative to suits in attachments.

The President announced having signed the foregoing named acts.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced the following resolution:

That the standing and special committees of this body, to to whom bills and other papers have been referred, shall report the same within two days for the final action of the council.

Resolved, that hereafter all committees to whom bills, resotions or memorials and in the hands of committees shall be

reported one day before the last day of the session for final action.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to lay the resolution on the table indefinitely.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca.

Consequently the resolution was laid on the table.

Introduction of bills and joints resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced—

An act to amend the revenue law.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the bill was referred to a joint committee of conference to draft a system of education and taxation.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of

An act to provide for leasing the lands held and owned in common by the inhabitants of the merced of the town of Chilili in the county of Bernalillo or so much of said lands as it may be to the interest of the said inhabitants for school purposes,

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the act was considered as enrolled and was signed by the President.

A bill fixing the times of holding the district courts and the duration thereof.

Originated in the House of Representatives,

Which was read the first time.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Santa Fe.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the act was laid on the table indefinitely.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

A bill creating an additional precinct in the the county of Rio Arriba.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the act was referred to a special committee consisting of honorables Nepomuceno Silva, Juan Salazar y Jimenes and Pablo Padilla.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was still in order.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

An act to enforce the police law passed in 1871 and 1872 in the different counties

Was read the first time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar in the chair.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable J. Bonifacio Chaves the word Valencia was inserted after thhe word Mora.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to refer the act to a special committee of three.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the act was not referred.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the word Legislative was inserted after the word Assembly.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, and Vicente Romero.

Consequently the act passed.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 5—Noes 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Vicente Romero, Benjamin Stevens, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

An act relative to the construction of statutes.

Which was read the first time,

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the act was referred to the standing committee on Judiciary.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved to adjourn until Friday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero.

Consequently the Council adjourned until Friday at 10 o'clock A. M.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1874.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The committee on Judiciary to which was referred—

Has had the same under advisement and has the honor to report it back without amendment recommending its passage.

BENJAMIN STEVENS,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the report of the committee was adopted.

A committee from the house of representatives was announced and received and through its Chairman requested the signature of the President to the following acts.

A (special) bill for precinct No. 16 of the county of Rio Arriba.

An act to authorize a license for the game of chusas.

An act entitled an act amending the law providing for the service of process in civil causes by the means of publication.

The President announced having signed the above act.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A bill entitled an act to create a judgment lien on real estate

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the third time.

Hon. F. P. Abreú moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 13—noes 0.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abréu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens Nepomuceno Silva and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables none.

Consequently the act passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Viceñte Romero made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act relative to peddlers.

Has had the same under advisement and most respectfully recommends the passage of the accompanying substitute.

VICENTE ROMERO,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report was adopted.

The substitute was read the first time

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offer to amend by inserting the word fifty dollars in the place of two hundred.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result is as follows:

Ayes 4—Noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Consequently the amendment was not adopted.

A comunication from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu offered to amend by inserting that said peddlers shall pay a United States licence of one per cent.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the amendment was rejected.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offered the following amendment:

"Provided that nothing shall be imposed as a license for county purposes."

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the amendment was adopted.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu offered to amend as follows:

"That the licenses collected shall be applied to the educational purpose and distributed among the different counties."

On motion of honorable J. Bonifacio Chaves the amendment was rejected.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved to refer the act to a committee of the whole.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil, and Mr. President.

Consequently the act was not referred.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables

John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the act passed.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

An act providing for a police in Bernalillo county.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read third time.

On motion the act passed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced—

An act increasing the salary of the Probate Judges of the counties of Rio Arriba and Mora.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicénte Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

An act incorporating the convent of the Sisters of Loreto in Santa Fé, N. M.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

A communication from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nicolas Pino introduced—

An act to create a watchman for precinct number 4 of the county of Santa Fe.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Pablo Padilla the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the joint committee on the matter of education and taxation was requested to report on the matter as soon as practicable.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the Council adjourned until three P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Pablo Padilla introduced—

An act requiring certain duties of the justice of the peace of precinct number 13 of the county of Socorro.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the bill passed.

Hon. Vicente Romero introduced—

An act concerning the Agua Negra River in the county of Mora.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time and passed.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

A bill establishing a system of public roads in the counties of San Miguel and Mora.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time.

On motion the act passed.

A bill incorporating the college of the Christian Brothers of New Mexico.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the third time and passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and action taken upon

An act fixing the times of holding the courts and the duration thereof.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

A (special) bill for the Grant of Cerbilleta de la Joya in the county of Socorro.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received and through its chairman requested the signature of the President of the Council to the following—

An act to amend the practice in civil cases in the district court.

A bill regulating the pay of the Adjutant General and for other purpose.

A (special) act changing the southern line of precinct number 11 of the county of Doña Ana.

The President announced having signed the foregoing named acts.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of

A (special) act for precinct number 3 of the county of Valencia.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the rules were suspended and the special act relative to the Grant of Serbilleta de la Joya in the county of Socorro.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the act was referred to a special committee of three members consisting of honorables Pablo Padilla, J. B. Chaves, Francisco P. Abreu.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of

An act incorporating the Academy of the Sisters of Loreto in New Mexico.

A communication from his Excelency the Governor was read which is as follows:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
SANTA FE, December 31, 1873.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable House of Representatives that I have this day approved and signed—

An act bonding the debt of the county of Santa Fé.

An act repealing an act creating and establishing an additional precinct in the county of Santa Fe.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion the communication was received.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The joint committee to which was referred several laws on revenue

Has had the same under advisement and report the accompanying bill for the consideration of the Council.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

An act entitled an act amending the revenue laws of the Territory.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the bill and amendment were referred to be printed.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

SATURDAY JANUARY 3 1874.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon Francisco Salazar in the chair.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

A memorial in relation to military a telegraph.

Has had the same under advisement and returns the same without amendment recomending its passage.

PEDRO SANCHES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report of the committee was adopted together with the amendment.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez moved, to consider an act entitled an act with reference to Rio del Pueblo de San Jeronimo as the original, the original having been lost.

Agreed to.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

An act entitled an act creating a precinct in the county of San Miguel.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the bill passed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act entitled an act establishing the frontier of the county of Lincoln.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time.

Hon. F. P. Abreú moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 13—noes 0.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens Nepomuceno Silva and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables none.

Consequently the act passed.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino moved to suspended the rules and that the memorial relative to military telegraph be read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act providing for the use of authenticated transcripts of the archives, or copies, registers files and maps of the Surveyor General's office as evidence in the district courts.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read third time.

On motion the act passed.

A committee from the house of representatives was announced and received and through its Chairman requested the signature of the President to the following acts.

A bill entitled an act to create a judgment lien on real estate

The President announced having signed the above act.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved that the Council adjourn until three o'clock p. m.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

The standing committee on Judiciary made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on judiciary to which was referred

An act relative to the construction of statutes.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Member of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

An act requiring certain duties of the justice of the peace of precinct number 13 ot the county of Socorro.

An act increasing the salary of the Probate Judges of the counties of Rio Arriba and Mora.

An act concerning the water of the River of Agua Negra in Mora county.

An act to create a watchman for precinct number 4 of the county of Santa Fe.

An act to enforce the police law passed in 1871 and 1872 in the different counties

Originated in this body.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage thereof.

A bill concerning enclosures in the county of Colfax.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the third time and passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A bill creating an additional precinct in the county of Mora.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time and passed.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil with suspension of rules presented the following resolution.

Resolved that the chief clerk of this body be and is hereby instructed to ask the honorable Secretary of the Territory for stationery for the use of the members of the Council.

Agreed to.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that they have examined

A bill amending an act concerning grand and petit jurors in this Territory approved January 31, 1872.

An act to amend the law relative to attachments.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,

Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

The Speaker announced having signed the acts above mentioned.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

An act amending the law relative to forcible entrance and illegal detention of real estate.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and te act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil introduced—

An act amending an act relative to inclosures in the county of Taos.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 5—Noes 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Vicente Romero, Benjamin Stevens, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

An act authorizing the Governor to offer reward for the aprehension of criminals.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benj. Stevens the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to the standing committee on finance.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has examined

An act in reference to venires of grand and petit jurors in the district courts and for other purposes.

An act to amend the law relative to attachments.

Has been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 3th day of January.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

A comunication from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Nicolas Pino, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1874.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos, Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council procedeed to the dispatch of business.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in their second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act concerning the Agua Negra River in the county of Mora.

An act requiring certain duties of the justice of the peace of precinct number 13 of the county of Socorro.

An act declaring the police law in force.

An act concerning notices of the pendency of certain suits in the district court relative real estate,

An act increasing the salary of the probate judges of Rio Arriba and Mora.

An act to provide for leasing the lands held and owned in common by the inhabitants of the merced of the town of Chilili in the county of Bernalillo or so much of said lands as it may be to the interest of the said inhabitants for school purposes,

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named acts.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva introduced—

An act creating two additional precincts in the county of Santa Ana,

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read third time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, and Vicente Romero.

Consequently the act passed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examined

A special act concerning the water of Agua Negra River in the county of Mora.

An act requiring certain duties of the justice of the peace of precinct number 13 of the county of Socorro.

An act putting in force the police law.

An act concerning notices of the pendence of certain suits in the district court concerning real estate.

An act increasing the salary of the probate judges of Rio Arriba and Mora.

An act in reference to lease of the lands of the inhabitants of Chilili in the county of Bernalillo.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 5th day of January.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

The report was adopted.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved to adjourn until three o'clock P. M.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Introduction of bills and joints resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced—

An act creating and organizing the county of Pecos.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

Hon. Nicolas Pino in the chair.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the act was referred to a special committee of five consisting of honorables John

D. Bail, Santiago Baca, Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Francisco Salazar to report at seven P. M. today.

Hon. Benjomin Stevens moved to have on evening session during the time of the session not expired.

Agreed to.

Hon. Nicolas Pino with suspension of rules introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, that the chief clerk be instructed to inquire from the Secretary of the Territory whether the interpretes of the House and Council will payed by the U. S. during the present session.

On motion of honoroble Benjamin Stevens the resolution was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. today.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of

Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

A comunication from the Secretary of the Territory was read as follows:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

Santa Fé, Dec. 31, 1873.

Hon. JOHN EATON,

Commissioner of Education:

In answer to your enquiries of October 1st, and December 19th respectively, for "information respecting schools in New Mexico" for your report of 1873, I have the honor to post you the following:

The public school law of New Mexico creates a board of supervisors and directors of public schools for each county consisting of three persons elected biennially with the Probate Judge of the county as ex-officio president of the board.

"The sole and entire management, supervision and control," is given to this board, "of the public schools within their respective counties;" as also is the "entire and exclusive management and supervision of the school funds of the respective counties and of the control and expenditure thereof."

THE SCHOOL FUND

consists of 25 per cent of the entire tax on property, a poll tax of $1 00 on every male citizen above the age of twenty-one years, and any "surplus of more than five hundred dollars in the treasury of any county after paying the current expenses of such county."

This school law and the provision for the school fund was enacted by the Legislative Assembly of 1871-72 and is probably the most effective law that the friends of education in New Mexico have ever succeeded in placing on the Statutes. The greatest practical results at least, have followed, and its workings have unquestionably popularized free schools throughout the territory.

The better to learn the progress of the work under the law, and to give a clear idea respecting the same, on the receipt of your letter in October last, I addressed a circular letter and blank, to Presidents of school boards, teachers and educational men throughout the territory asking for certain statistics therein indicated. Most of these persons have answered, and with a commendable interest. Much delay has been unavoidably incurred by reason of the entire absence of any system for obtaining the information sought. I give you the following aggregated statement of the schools in this Territory.

SCHOOLS.	Number of Schools.	Pupils.	Teachers.	Average No. of months taught.	Average of wages of teachers.	Languages taught.	Funds.
Public Schools supported by taxation	133	5625	136	6¼	$28 69	10 E. 111 S. 12 E.S	$29,721 57
Private Schools	26	1370	53	9		7 Eng. 19 E.S.	27,100 00
Pueblo Schools	5	107	7	6		English.	4,000 00
	164	7102	196	.....	.....	.....	$60,821 57
Census returns 1870 — public and private schools.....	44	1798	72				29,886 00
Increase for 1873	120	5304	134	.....	.....	.....	$30,935 57

Right here, allow me to digress for a word, and call the attention of those who within the past year or two have seem-to delight in

MISREPRESENTING THE EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS

of New Mexico through the public press outside of the Territory, both east and west, and otherwise, by asserting with a recklessness for truth astonishing to relate, that either there are no schools whatever in the territory or, at most, a number expressed by a unit of medium value. I would respectfully refer those making these erroneous statements to the census report of 1870. Table XII. Of New Mexico. Vol. 1, and to the report of the Commissioner of Education 1873, where will be found the statement above set forth for 1870, of public schools.

We glean the following items from the mass of local reports at hand. There is taught in all the schools reading writing and arithmetic, grammar in 41, geography in 34, and history in 17; a few also teach other of the higher branches. The county of San Miguel reports two public school houses worth $1824,43. In Silver City, Grant county,

THE LADIES HAVE FORMED AN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY,

have raised a fund of $1400 and express a determination to increase it to $2500. They have also adopted plans for a brick school house 20 x 40 feet on the ground and we doubt not that they will carry the enterprise to completion. God bless the ladies! A subscription is also out in Lincoln for the same noble purpose.

Doubtless there are other enterprises of a similar character in other enterprising towns, of which mention has not been made. In very many districts the use of a school room is donated; in others rented for a moderate sum. In Doña Ana and Grant counties the supervisors of public schools donate their per diem allowed by law, to the school fund.

THE SCHOOL BOOKS

used, are legion in variety and run from a sectarian catechism to Ollendorf's method. School books are very generally bought for the indigent. So deep is the interest in some of the counties, that the local school boards have made enquiries of the Territorial officers, if there was not a law or some means by by which the attendance of children could be enforced. One county reports that boys only are admitted to the schools. Four public schools reported, are combined with parochial or mission schools. Taking the usual percentage of children relative to the aggregate population and there are 22,969 children in New Mexico of school age. Deduct the number reported attending both the public and private schools and we find still in the territory

15,974 CHILDREN ABSENTEES,

in most cases doubtless without the opportunity of attending school. Of private schools five are convents under the control and management of the "Sisters of Loretto" with an

attendance of 546 pupils, 120 of whom are poor. To them tuition is free. They have 21 teachers and an income of $12,000. Next are the schools under the control and management of the "Christian Brothers" (Catholic), of which there are three; two of thees schools have an attendance of 180 pupils, 10 teachers and an income of $5,450.

Then is also a Jesuit school at Albuquerque. There are two Presbyterian Mission schools reported, with an attendance of 80 pupils and three teachers. Tuition generally free. Then is also one Methodist Episcopal Mission school, with an attendance of 80 pupils, two teachers, and an income of $700.

The above schools, as also others of the private schools, teach both the common and higher English and Spanish branches and will doubtless prove of great value in educating teachers. Some of them, we have reasons to believe, are model schools.

PUEBLO INDIAN SCHOOLS.

We learn from the Pueblo Agent, that two of these schools are under the Presbyterian Board of Missions, but that they are not managed in a spirit of sectarianism, that a growing interest is manifest and that they are open to all who apply. Twelve hundred dollars of the fund is contributed by the Presbyterian Board, and $2800, by the general Government.

THE MANIFEST NEED

among the public schools at this time is a uniform system throughout the Territory,—something in the nature of a central board of Commissioners composed of practical educators, who feel a pride in the work, with authority to establish some simple general plan, embodied in printed form for the government of schools.

The necessity for such board is intensified, for the reason that the masses of the people are entirely unused to the advanced systems of free schools of the present day and age; and with few honorable exceptions are also unacquainted with the management of public schools in any form. There is scarcely less need for public school buildings.

There is also a want of uniform school books in individual schools, and also of competent teachers both in English and Spanish. Some standard of qualification among teachers should be adopted and to that end an examining officer or a board of examiners is an absolute necessity. It should also be their duty to visit and examine the schools at stated times.

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

now in session, shows a commendable interest in behalf of progress; indeed, we may say are unanimously in favor of further legislation to that end.

A joint committee has been appointed, having for its object a revision of the assessment and tax laws, the improvement of the school system, so as admit a more general availability of its advantages, and an increase of the school fund.

It is confidently expected that minor differences about details will be harmonized and healthy progress be the result.

OF THE PEOPLE,

it is simple justice to say, that as a class they are kind, hospitable, industrious, tractable, and law abiding; and in point of morals and integrity, they will compare favorably with very many who have enjoyed much greater advantages in life. They pay their taxes as promptly and as fully as any people in the land; and submit as cheerfully when they are satisfied that a substantial public good is to be the result.

It is well to bear in mind the entirely anomalous condition of the people and territory, when compared with any other state or territory in the Union, and that the power has not in all cases been vouchsafed to human wisdom to eradicate the abuses of years in a day. New Mexico, before its acquisition by the United States, had been

UTTERLY NEGLECTED FOR GENERATIONS

by the government of old Mexico in all things appertaining to its material prosperity and social advancement; and that the people were only cognizant of a superior power as indicated in the presence of exacting revenue officers, or the recruiting sergeants, incident to the chaotic and turbulent state of a government beset with revolutions and counter revolutions which in effect, were of course most paralizing to productive industries, exhausting to accumulated resources, and which made even existence itself problematic. In those times. self preservation, the first law of nature, became the chief thought in the family circle, and the main business of life with each family. There was no time, opportunity or impulse for social or intellectual improvement nor, had there been for generations. Snch in brief was the condition, in which the government found the people at the time the territory became part of the Republic. They were and likewise continued to be for a long time

BESET ON ALL SIDES

by hostile and nomadic Indian tribes, embodiments of all the villainies incident to unregenerate man:—and, also, with not a few of the outlaws, hair brained, and graceless set, ever present on the frontier of an advancing American civilization. Scarce had the Government, through the civil and military authorities, made an impression toward bringing order out of chaos, when.

FOLLOWED THE REBELLION,

threatening the integrity and life of the nation; during which event, be it said to the credit of the people of New Mexico, they remained true to the Flag and cheerfully

CONTRIBUTED THEIR QUOTA OF PATRIOTIC CITIZENS

towards the defence of her soil and the suppression of the rebellion. This event, of course, still further kept education and progress in abeyance.

Under the protection which they have enjoyed from the government, more particularly for the past few years, and the freedom from oppession of the old government, and the resultant prosperity, they are coming to think of those matters calculated to better their condition in life, and not the least of these is Education.

New Mexico has, we submit,

MADE A COMMENDABLE START

in educational interests. It will never be less; but to the contrary is destined to develop and grow with accellerating progression, ever onward with the approach and advent of railroads and telegraphs and the consequent development of its material resources, its rich and varied mining deposits, its extensive agricultural, pastoral, and lumber interests, and the manufacturies, intelligent immigration, and general accessories that hand in hand naturally accompany; and which go to make the sum of the advancing elements of a higher civilization in store for the near future of New Mexico.

Very Respectfully,

W. G. RITCH,
Secretary of New Mexico.

An act relative to the construction of statutes.

A memorial to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

A bill in regard to conveyances of real estaté.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time,

The honorables judges of the supreme court were announced on received.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved that the Council adjourn until seven o'clock p. m.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorable Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

A committee from the house of representatives was announced and received and through its Chairman requested the signature of the President to the following acts.

An act amending an act relative to a public road in the county of San Miguel.

A bill establishing a system of public roads in the counties of San Miguel and Mora.

A bill incorporating the college of the Christian Brothers of New Mexico.

The President announced having signed the above acts.

On motion of Hon. John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 13—noes 0.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens Nepomuceno Silva and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables none.

Consequently the act passed.

The following communication of the Secretary of the Territory was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Santa Fe, January 5th, 1874.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of a resolution of your honorable body requesting information as to whether the interpretes of Council and House of Representatives will be payed by the general government.

In answer I have to refer you to my communication to your honorable body of December 2d to be found on page 15 of the Council Journal as embracing all the information I have on the subject up to this date, under my instructions from the comptroller of the Treasury of number 10 and embodied in the communication before referred to, it is unnecessary for me to say that the Secretary of the Territory has no authority whatever to pay the interpreters.

In view of the practice of the general government in bearing the expenses of interpretes of former Legislatures of the Territory I will if desired recocommend to the department the payment of the interpretes of this session.

Respectfully,
W. G. RITCH,
Secretary of the Territory.

On motion the communication was received.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on Finance to which was referred An act authorizing the Governor to offer rewards for the apprehension of criminals.

Has had the same under advisement and returns the same without amendment recomending its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report of the committee was adopted together with the amendment.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the bill,

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Pablo Padilla the bill passed.

Hon. Pablo Padilla made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

A (special) bill for the Grant of Cerbilleta de la Joya in the county of Socorro.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage.

PABLO PADILLA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 7 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of

Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties ot Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act creating and organizing the county of Pecos.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage as amended by the committee.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

The act was read as amended.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved the adopt the amendments.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, John D. Bail.

Consequently the amendments were adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to suspend the rules.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result is as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 6.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva.

Consequently the rules were not suspended.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1874.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

An act creating and organizing the new county of Pecos.

Was read the third time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—Noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, and John D. Bail.

Consequently the act passed.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved to reconsider his vote.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to reject the motion of Mr. Abreu te reconsider his vote.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail.

Consequently the motion was adopted.

Hon. Vicente Romero introduced—

A joint resolurion congratulating the military officers of Territory.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

An act authorizing the Probate Judge of Grant county to exercise certain duties

Recommends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Bonifacio Chaves made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT.

The concurrent committee of both bodies to whom were referred various acts in regard to revenue after due advisement report an act entitled an act to amend the revenue law and recommends its passage.

J. BONIFACIO CHAVES,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

And the act was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved to adjourn until three o'clock P. M.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that they have examined

An act to create a watchman for precinct number 4 of the county of Santa Fe.

A (special) act for precinct number 3 of the county of Valencia.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

The President announced having signed the acts above mentioned.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offered to amend the school law as follows:

Amendment—"From the school funds."

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 3—Noes 9.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, and Mr. President.

Consequently the amendment was rejected.

Hon. John D. Bail offered the following amendment to the education law:

Amendment—That the commissioners shall be paid from the county funds.

Adopted.

Hon. Vicente Romero moved to suspend the rules to take action on

An act entitled an act amending the revenue laws of the Territory.

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar offered to amend by iuserting the word five hundred instead of two hundred.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received and through its chairman requested the signature of the President of the Council to the following—

A bill fixing the times of holding the district courts and the duration thereof.

The President announced having signed the foregoing named act.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved the adoption of the amendment.

Not agreed.

A comunication from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. today.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for

the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

Hon. Nicolas Pino introduced—

An act assigning the pay to interpreters of the house and council of the legislative assembly 1873 and 1874.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read third time.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens offered to amend as follows:

That in case the general government should make any apropriation for interpreters the sum so appropriated shall be paid to the Territory.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the amendment was adopted.

The act so amended passed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act providing the issue of duplicate warrants.

Was read the first time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced—

An act annexing precinct number 14 to precinct number 11 of the county of Rio Arriba.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act providing for the payment of the expenses of the judges of the supreme court in holding the courts in the different counties.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

Hon. John D. Bail introduced—

An act special for the town of Las Cruces in the county of Doña Ana.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and te act

Was read, the third time and passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examined

An act to create a watchman for precinct number 4 of the county of Santa Fe.

A (special) act for precinct number 3 of the county of Valencia.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 6th day of January.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

The report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act in reference to the construction of statutes.

An act authorizing the Governor to offer rewards for the aprehension of criminals.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the commttee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named acts.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens introduced—

An act in reference to conveyance of real state in certain cases.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act authorizing the issue of duplicate warrants read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read third time and passed.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act amending the revenue laws was read the third time.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil offered to amend by inserting the word three hundred instead of two hundred.

Not agreed.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the act passed.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the President's table.

An act authorizing the Governor to offer rewards for the apprehension of criminals.

An act creating two additional precincts in the county of Santa Ana,

An act providing for the use of authenticated transcripts ot the archives, or copies, registers files and maps of the Surveyor General's office as evidence in the district courts.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of San Miguel,

A memorial to congress of the United States.

An act relative to Rio del Pueblo de San Jeronimo in the county of Taos.

Originated in this body.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage thereof.

An act assigning the pay to interpreters of the council and house of representatives.

The House concurred in its passage by amending (erasing) the word translator.

The Council adopted the amendment.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of

An act authorizing the issuing of duplicate warrants.

The following communication of the Governor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Jan. 5, 1874.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable Legislative Council that I have this day approved and signed—

An act in reference to venires of grand and petit jurors in the district courts and for other purposes.

An act to amend the law relative to attachments.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of the Governor was received.

A communication from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A communication from his Excelency the Governor was read which is as follows:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
SANTA FE, January 5th, 1873.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable House of Representatives that I have this day approved and signed—

An act increasing the salary of the probate judges of Rio Arriba and Mora.

An act concerning notices of the pendency of certain suits in the district court relative to real estate,

An act declaring the police law in force.

An act concerning the Agua Negra River in the county of Mora.

An act requiring certain duties of the justice of the peace of precinct number 13 of the county of Socorro.,

Very respectfully your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion the communication was received.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved that the Council adjourn until seven o'clock p. m.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorable Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

An act amending an act relative to inclosures in the county of Taos.

An act amending the law relative to forcible entrance and illegal detention of real estate.

Originated in this body,

The House concurred in its passage without any amendment.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has examined

An act relative to the construction of statutes.

An act to authorize the Governor to offer rewards of the aprehension of criminals.

Has been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 6th day of January.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report was adopted.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 7 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente

Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties ot Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

An act relative to the precinct of Gabaldones in the county of Valencia.

Originated in the House of Representatives,

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benj. Stevens the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of the senators from the county of Valencia.

A memorial to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

The memorial was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco P. Abreú the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the memorial passed.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar with suspension of rules made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that they have examined

An act assigning the pay of interpreters in the session 1873 and 1874.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

The President announced having signed the acts above mentioned.

An act repealing an act approved January 15, 1868.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

An act amending an act approved February 1st, 1869.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved that the act be referred to a special committee of three.

Agreed to.

The committee consisting of honorables F. P. Abreu, Nepomuceno Silva and Vicente Romero.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7 1874.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announccd in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has examined.

An act to authorize the issue of duplicate warrants.

An act creating two additional precincts in the county of Santa Ana.

An act amending the law relative to forcible entrance an illegal detention of real estate.

An act amending the law relative to enclosures in the county of Taos.

An act in reference to Rio del Pueblo of San Jeronimo de Taos.

An finds the same correctly enrolled and requests the signature of the President to the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The President announced having signed the above named acts.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved to adjourn until three o'clock P. M.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examined

An act authrizing the issue of duplicate warrants.

An act creating two additional precincts in the county of Santa Ana.

An act amending an act relative to enclosures in the county of Taos.

An act amending an act relative to forcible entrance and illegal detention of real estate.

An act entitled an act with reference to Rio del Pueblo de San Jeronimo in the county of Taos.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 7th day of January.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adjourn until three o'clock P. M.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables

Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, John D. Bail.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joints resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

An act repealing an act relative to contracts for the pay. ment of money aproved January 31, 1872.

Was read the first time.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved to lay the act on the table indifinitely.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result is as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, John D. Bail, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva.

It resulted nn the affirmative bur the chair desided that the question was lost and the act not laid on the table.

Hon. Francisco Salazar appealed to the decision of the chair.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 3—Noes 9.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, and Mr. President.

Consequently the chair was not sustained.

The President announced that the act was not laid on the table indefinitely.

The following communication of the Governor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Jan. 5, 1874.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable Legislative Council that I have this day approved and signed—

An act assigning the pay to interpreters of the house and council of the legislative assembly 1873 and 1874.

An act relative to the construction of statutes.

A (special) act for precinct number 3 of the county of Valencia.

An act to authorize the Governor to offer rewards of the aprehension of criminals.

An act to create a watchman for precinct number 4 of the county of Santa Fe.

An act authorizing the issue of duplicate warrants.

An act entitled an act with reference to Rio del Pueblo de San Jeronimo in the county of Taos.

An act creating two additional precincts in the county of Santa Ana.

An act amending an act relative to enclosures in the county of Taos.

An act amending an act relative to forcible entrance and illegal detention of real estate.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of the Governor was received.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves in the chair.

The following communication was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe, January 7. 1874.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

Sir—I have the honor to inform you, and through you the honorable Council, that a bill in regard to "Chilili," the exact title of which I cannot give but which was presented to the Executive on the fifth instant, and was under advisement as to approval or otherwise, has been wrongfully, and secretly abstracted from the Executive office and you are hereby advised thereof at the earliest moment after knowledge of the fact is obtained, to enable the Legislature to take such steps in the matter as the exegencies of the case may require.

And I further recommend to the Legislative Assembly that a law be enacted making the wrongful abstraction of such papers from the hands of the proper officers or from the offices when they belong a felony to be punished like other crimes against the rights of the people.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the communication was received.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu an act in relation to a watchman special for precinct number four of the county of Santa Fe was considered as enrolled.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that it has examined

An act providing for the use of authenticated transcripts of the archives, or copies, registers files and maps of the Surveyor General's office as evidence in the district courts.

A memorial to congress of the United States.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and most respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

The President announced having signed the forgoing named acts.

An act in reference to conveyance of real state in certain cases.

Was read the second time.

Hon. Santiago Baca offered to amend as follows:

Amendment—Be it further enacted that every female over 21 years of age, shall have the right to vote and be voted for any office.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves, moved to lay the act and amendment indefinitely on the table.

Agreed to.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has examined

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of San Miguel,

An act providing for the use of authenticated transcript copies, or tracings of the archives, reords, files, or official maps in the office Surveyor General, or Secretary of this Territory as evidence in the district court.

A memorial to Congress of the United States.

Has been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 7th day of January.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report was adopted.

Hon. John D. Bail moved to suspend the rnles on take action of an act amendtng the revenue law of the Territory.

Agreed to.

It was announced that the House has concurred in the passage of said act with some ameudments.

Which were read for the information of the Council.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the amendments.

Agreed to.

The act so amended was received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved that the Council adjourn until seven o'clock p. m.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 2—Noes 10.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorable Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Juan Salazar y Jimenes Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 7 o'clock P. M. to-day.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 9—Noes 4.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Manuel Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the counties ot Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Order of the day.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions in third reading were announced in order.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

An act for the prescription of suits and for other purposes.

Originated in the House of Representatives,

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benj. Stevens the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

Hon. J. B. Chaves moved to refer the act to the standing commiitee on judiciary.

Not agreed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to suspend the rules to read the act the third time.

Not agreed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

An act limiting the time of granting writs of error.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspendcd and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

A (special) bill for precincts numbers 5, 7 and 9 of the county of San Miguel.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the act was referred to a special committee consisting of the senators from the county of San Miguel.

A special act for precinct number 4 Sabinal and number 10 Alamosita in the county of Socorro.

Was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Pablo Padilla the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

An act relative to the records of the county of Colfax.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable John D. Bail the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Lincoln.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1874.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

A committee from the house of representatives was announced and received and through its Chairman requested the signature of the President to the following acts:

An act in reference to conveyance of real estate.

An act concerning enclosures in Colfax county.

A (special) bill for the Grant of Cerbilleta de la Joya in the county of Socorro.

A bill creating an additional precinct in the county of Mora.

The President announced having signed the above acts.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu informed the Council that

An act (special) for the relief of Antonio Aban Romero and B. Jesus Marques.

Had been mislaid and moved that the original should be considered as enrolled and signed by the President.

The act was read for the information of the Council.

Hon. Vicente Romero introduced—

A memorial to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

The memorial was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco P. Abreú the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the memorial passed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to take action of business on third reading.

Not agreed.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was refered

An act amending an act approved February 1st, 1869.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage.

FRANCISCO P. ABREU,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Juan Salazar y Jimenes made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT.

The special committee of the members of the county of Valencia to which was referred

A bill abolishing a precinct in the county of Valencia and creating another.

Has had the same under advisement and most respectfully recommends the passage of the accompanying substitute.

JUAN SALAZAR Y JIMENES,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The substitute was read the first time

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the act passed.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made thefollowing report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this Hon. body that they have examined

An act especial for the county of San Miguel for the releaf of Antonio Aban Romero late Treasurer of said county and the releaf of B. Jesus Marquez late clerk of the Probate Court.

And finds the same correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Juan Salazar y Jimenes the report of the committee was adopted.

The President announced having signed the acts above mentioned.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has examined.

A memorial relative to a Military Telegraph.

An finds the same correctly enrolled and requests the signature of the President to the same.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Benjamin Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

The President announced having signed the above named memorial.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of

An act authorizing the Probate Judge of Grant county to exercise certain duties

That the act be considered as enrolled and signed.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved to adjourn until three o'clock P. M.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Hon. Francisco Salazar introduced—

An act declaring a public road in precinct number 5 of the county of Rio Arriba.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Francisco P. Abreu introduced—

An act for the relief of Arthur Morrison.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Benjamin Stevens moved to lay the act on the table indifinitely.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result is as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Francisco P. Abreu.

Consequently the act was laid on the table.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The committee on enrolled bills has examined

An act to authorize the Probate Judge of Grant county to execut certain trusts.

And finds them correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the report of the committee was adopted.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. today.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of

San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

On motion of honorable Vieente Romero a copy of a memorial to commissioner of Indian Affairs was considered as the original and so signed: the original been lost.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examiued

An act for the relief of Antonio Aban Romero and B. Jesus Marquez.

A memorial to Congress.

An act to enable the probate judge of Grant county to execute certain trusts.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 7th day of January.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of honorable J. B. Chaves the rules were suspended and action was taken on the business on the President's table.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Bernalillo,

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time,

A communication from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A committee from the House was announced and received and through its chairman reported that the House has concurred in the passage of

A memorial to Congress.

An act annexing precinct number 14 to precinct number 11 of the county of Rio Arriba.

An act special for the town of Las Cruces in the county of Doña Ana.

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of Bernalillo.

Was read the second time.

A comunication from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to laid the act indefinitely on the table.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca; John D. Bail.

Consequently the motion was adopted.

An act declaring a public road in precinct number 5 of the county of Ria Arriba.

An act relative to the precinct of Gabaldones in the county of Valencia.

Originated in this body,

The House concurred in its passage without any amendment.

An act relative to transfers of real property.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved to laid the act indefinitely on the table.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 11—Noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacic Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, and John D. Bail.

Consequently the act was not laid on the table.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved that the Council take a recess for 10 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A communication from his Excelency the Governor was read which is as follows:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
SANTA FE, January 7th, 1873.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable House of Representatives that I have this day approved and signed—

An act creating an additional precinct in the county of San Miguel,

An act providing for the use of authenticated transcript copies, or tracings of the archives, records, files, or official maps in the office Surveyor General, or Secretary of this Territory as evidence in the district court.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion the communication was received.

A committee from the House of Representatives was announced and received and through its chairman requested the signature of the President of the Council to the following—

An act concerning the records of Colfax County.

An act limiting the time for granting writs of error and for other purposes.

An act special for precinct number 4 Sabinal and number 10 Alamosita in the county of Socorro.

A memorial to Congress.

The President announced having signed the foregoing named acts.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The committee on enrolled bills has examined.

An act to amend an act amending the revenue law of the Territory of New Mexico.

And finds them correctly engrossed and respectfully asks the President to sign the same.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves the report of the committee was adopted.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the acts mentioned as passed by the House of Representatives and originated in this body were considered as enrolled and signed by the President.

Hon. Santiago Baca introduced—

A joint resolution

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the resolution

Was read the third time and passed.

A memorial to Congress.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable J. D. Bail the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the third time and passed.

An act providing for the construction of acequias and being of acequias to supply the town of Las Cruces with water.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Benjamin Stevens the act was referred to a special committee composed of the Senator from Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examined

An act declaring a public road in precinct number 5 Rio Arriba county.

An act annexing precinct number 14 of Chama to precinct number 11 of the county of Rio Arriba.

An act concerning the precinct of Gavaldones in the county of Valencia.

An act in reference to the town of Las Cruces in the county of Doña Ana.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 8th day of January.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

The report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on engrossed bills has the honor to report to this honorable body that it has examined

A memorial to Congress of the United States.

An act entitled an act amending the revenue laws of the Territory.

An act incorporating the Academy of the Sisters of Loreto in New Mexico.

Has been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 8th day of January.

Respectfully,
FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the Committee.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar the report was adopted.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved that the Council take a recess for half hour.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A message from the Governor was announced and received.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved to adjourn until Friday at 10 o'clock A. M.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and resulted as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables John D. Bail, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero.

Consequently the Council adjourned until Friday at 10 o'clock A. M.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 1874.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreu and Santiago Baca, for the county of Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the county of Rio Arriba; Marcelo Vigil and Pedro Sanchez, for the county of Taos; Vicente Romero, for the counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the county of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the county of

Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the county of Socorro; John D. Bail for the counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln.

A quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Order of the day.

Petition and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Business on the President's table was announccd in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions were announced in order.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None

Bills on third reading were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

None.

On motion of honorable Francisco Salazar a copy of a memorial to congress relative to tri-weekly mail from Santa Fe to Taos was considered as the original.

Hon. Nicolas Pino moved that the Council take a recess for 15 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

The following communication of the Governor was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO.
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe N. M., Jan. 9, 1874.

Hon. Pedro Sanchez, President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you and through you the honorable Legislative Council that I have this day approved and signed—

An act incorporating the convent of the Sisters of Loreto in Santa Fé, N. M.

An act annexing precinct number 14 to precinct number 11 of the county of Rio Arriba.

An act declaring a public road in precinct number 5 of the county of Rio Arriba.

A bill amending the revenue law of the Territory,

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the communication of the Governor was received.

On motion of honorable Nicolas Pino the rules were suspended and action taken on the business upon the President's table.

An act concerning county warrants,
Originated in the House of Representatives.
Which was read the first time.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the bill
Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. Vicente Romero the rules were suspended and the act
Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. John D. Bail made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—
The special committee to which was referred

An act special for the town of Las Cruces in the county of Doña Ana.

Has had the same under advisement and returns the same without amendment recomending its passage.

JOHN D. BAIL,
Chairman of the committee.

Hon. Nepomuceno Silva moved to adopt the report of the committee.

Agreed to.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspended and the act.

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. Nicolas Pino introduced—

An act to increase the fees of sheriffs as collectors of revenue.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu offered to amend as follows:

Amendment—Provided that they shall not receive more than five per cent from the school funds.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to refer the act and amendment to the standing committee on finance.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 5—Noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Marcelo Vigil.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Nepomuceno Silva, and the President.

Consequently the act was not referred.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adopt the amendment to the act.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result is as follows:

Ayes 7—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Nepomuceno Silva, John D. Bail, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Francisco P. Abreu.

Consequently the amendment was adopted.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved to adjourn until three o'clock P. M.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 4—noes 8.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, Nicólas Pino, Pablo Padilla.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil, and Mr. President.

Consequently the Council was not adjourned.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to suspend the rules to read the act the third time.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 3—Noes 9.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Nepomuceno Silva.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, and Mr. President.

Consequently the rules were not suspended.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved to refer the act so amended to a special committee of the whole.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 6—Noes 7.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes,

Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil, J. Bonifacio Chaves.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables John D. Bail, Santiago Baca, Francisco P. Abreú, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Nepomuceno Silva, and Mr. President.

Consequently the act was not referred.

Hon. Francisco Salazar chairman of the committee on enrolled bills requested the signature of the President to

A memorial to the Postmaster General of the United States asking the establishment of a tri-weekly mail from Santa Fé to Taos.

Which was signed by the President.

Hon. Santiago Baca moved to suspend the rules to take action of the business on third reading.

Ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 8—Noes 5.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Baíl, Nicolas Pino, Vicente Romero, Nepomuceno Silva, and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens, Marcelo Vigil.

Consequently the motion was not adopted.

A memorial to Congress in reference to the Militia of New Mexico.

The memorial was read the first time.

On motion of Francisco P. Abreú the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the second time.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the rules were suspended and the memorial

Was read the third time.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the memorial passed.

Hon. Francisco Salazar requested the signature of the President to a memorial to Congress on the state question.

Which was signed by the President.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

The following communication was read:

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Santa Fe, January 9, 1874.

HON. PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Legislative Council.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you, and through you the honorable Council that I have signed and approved the following entitled acts, to wit:

An act especial for the county of San Miguel for the relief of Antonio Aban Romero late Treasurer of said county and the relief of B. Jesus Marquez late clerk of the Probate Court.

An act authorizing the Probate Judge of Grant county to exercise certain duties

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
MARSH GIDDINGS,
Governor of New Mexico.

On motion of honorable Pedro Sanchez the communication was received.

Hon. Marcelo Vigil moved that the Council take a recess for 30 minutes.

Agreed to.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

A comunication from the Governor was announced and received.

A communication from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock P. M. today.

The ayes and noes were called.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables J. Bonifacio Chaves, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Marcelo Vigil, Francisco Salazar, Nepo-

muceno Silva, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Francisco P. Abreú, Santiago Baca.

Consequently the Council was adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll was called and the following members answered to their names:

Francisco P. Abreú and Santiago Baca, for the County of San Miguel; Nicolas Pino and Nepomuceno Silva, for the Counties of Santa Fé and Santa Ana; Francisco Salazar for the County of Rio Arriba; Pedro Sanchez and Marcelo Vigil for the County of Taos; Vicente Romero for the Counties of Mora and Colfax; Benjamin Stevens, for the County of Bernalillo; J. Bonifacio Chaves and Juan Salazar y Jimenes, for the County of Valencia; Pablo Padilla, for the County of Socorro; John D. Bail, for the Counties of Doña Ana, Lincoln and Grant.

A quorum being present the council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

Petitions and memorials were announced in order by the President.

None.

Unfinished business was announced in order.

None.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was announced and received.

Reports of standing committee were announced in order by the President.

None.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the Speaker.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on second reading were announced in order.

None.

Bills and joint resolutions on third reading were announced in order.

None.

Business on the President table was announced in order by the President.

None.

Resolutions of this body were announced in order by the President.

None.

Introduction of bills and joint resolutions was announced in order.

None.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar a committee of conference was appointed in the matter of a joint resolution amended by the House of Reresentatives.

The committee appointed was composed of Hons. Francisco Salazar and Vicente Romero.

An act creating and organizing the county of Pecos.

Originated in this body,

The House concurred in its passage without any amendment.

Which was signed by the president of the Council.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

A committee from the house of representatives was announced and received and through its Chairman requested the signature of the President to the following acts:

A memorial to Congress.

An act amending an act approved February 1st, 1869.

A memorial to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

The President announced having signed the above acts.

Reports of standing committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Francisco Salazar made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The standing committee on enrolled bills has the honor to report that it has examiued

An act creating the county of Pecos.

Which have been placed in the hands of his Excellency the Governor for his approval this 7th day of January.

FRANCISCO SALAZAR,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of Hon. Francisco P. Abreu the report of the committee was adopted.

Reports of special committees were announced in order by the President.

Hon. Santiago Baca made the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—

The special committee to which was referred

A (special) bill for precincts numbers 5, 7 and 9 of the county of San Miguel.

Has had the same under advisement and recommends its passage as amended by the committee.

SANTIAGO BACA,
Chairman of the committee.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the report was adopted.

On motion of honorable Santiago Baca the rules were suspendcd and the act

Was read the third time and passed.

Hon. F. P. Abreu moved that the Council take a recess for 20 minutes.

The motion was adopted.

The Council in recess.

The time having expired the Council was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the Council proceeded to the dispatch of business.

The House of Representatives concurred in the passage of

An act relative to schools.

Originated in this body without any amendment.

Hon. Francisco Salazar moved to consider said act as enrolled and ask that it be sifined.

Which was signed by the President.

The committee on conference reported to have agreed on the adjournment sine die at half past three o'clock p. m. this 9 day of January.

On motion of Hon. Benj. Stevens the report of the committee was adopted.

A message from the House of Representatives was announced and received.

Hon. Francisco Salazar informed to have placed in the hands of the Governor act to amend the school law for his sanction this 9 day of January.

A special act for precincts number 7 and 20 in the county of San Miguel.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Nepomuceno Silva the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Hon. John D. Bail the rules were suspende and the act

Was read the third time.

Hon. F. P. Abreú moved the passage of the act.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called and the result was as follows:

Ayes 13—noes 0.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, Santiago Baca, John D. Bail, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Benjamin Stevens Nepomuceno Silva and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables none.

Consequently the act passed.

An act amending in part the law of acequias of this Territory.

Originated in the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of honorable Francisco P. Abreu the rules were suspended and the bill

Was read the second time.

On motion of Francisco Salazar the rules were suspended and the act

Was read the third time.

Hon. Pablo Padilla moved the passage of the act.

Hon. J. Bonifacio Chaves called for the ayes and noes.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 3.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables, Francisco P. Abreú, John D. Bail, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva and the President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, J. Bonifacio Chaves and Benjamin Stevens.

Consequently the act passed.

A committee from the House was announced and received and requested the signature of the President to the following acts:

An act amending the law of acequias.

A special act for precincts number 7 and 20 of the county of San Miguel.

A special act for precincts number 5, 7 and 9 of the county of San Miguel.

All of which were signed by the President.

On motion of honorable Vicente Romero it was proceeded to the reading of to days journal.

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved to suspend the rules to introduce the following resolution:

Resolved, that a copy of the laws and journals of the present session of the Legislative Assembly be sent by the Secrecretary of the Territory to each member and officer of the present Assembly to their residence

Hon. Francisco P. Abreu moved the passage of the resolution.

The ayes and noes were called for.

The question was put, the roll called which resulted as follows:

Ayes 10—Noes 2.

Those who voted in the affirmative were honorables Francisco P. Abreu, J. Bonifacio Chaves, Nicolas Pino, Pablo Padilla, Vicente Romero, Francisco Salazar, Juan Salazar y Jimenes, Nepomuceno Silva, Marcelo Vigil and Mr. President.

Those who voted in the negative were honorables Santiago Baca, Jchn D. Bail.

Consequently the resolution passed.

Hon. Vicente Romero with suspension of rules introduce d the following resolution:

Resolved that a vote of thanks be tendered by the Council to the President for the impartial and just manner with which he has presided our this body in the transaction of business.

On motion of Hon. Francisco Salazar the resolution was adopted.

The President addressed the Council tendering his thanks.

The time fixt for adjourning, being half past three o'clock p. m. to-day and this being the our the Council adjourned sine die.

PEDRO SANCHEZ,
President of the Council.

ANTONIO ORTIZ Y SALAZAR,
Chief Clerk.

APPENDIX.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Gentlemen of the Council and House of Representatives:

To Him who holdeth our times in His hands, are we under the profoundest obligations; and to him is due our deepest gratitude, for the manifold blessings received, and the multitude of evils escaped, since the last meeting of our Territorial Legislature.

Under very auspicious circumstances I am called upon, to welcome you, the representatives of the people of New Mexico, to these ancient Halls the capital of a great Territory, whose foundations were laid far back in the past, and more than a century before the Pilgrim Fathers landed upon Plymouth Rock and the shores of the Atlantic, where we may unite our energies in the work entrusted to our care and wisdom by the people of this extended territory, in perfecting the foundation laws, for the government of a future great commonwealth.

While over many portions of our land pestilence has cast its dark shadow, and death made no distinctions in its fearful sway, this people has been almost wholly exempt from disease and suffering.

The land has yielded an abundant supply for the necessities of life, and steady progress has marked our course for the last two years, in the essential things which constitute the prosperity of a people.

New Mexico is becoming better known, more constant inquiry is made as to her resources, climate, soil and productions, and her prospects are slowly but surely brightening.

HINDRANCES TO PROGRESS.

Remote from the great centres of commerce and civilization, a colony from another continent, hundreds of years have passed since the struggle commenced between the Spanish and the Montezumas for the mastery of the great copper, lead, gold and silver regions of the Western Continent. Both races, more or less exhausted, after centuries of bloodshed, and strife and prostration, remain upon the original battlefields as friends.

The heroic deeds of centuries, along the beautiful streams,

in the deep gorges and cañons and the mountain fastnesses of this hidden world, are only told in story and legends of the old chieftain and mountaineer.

Their history was never written on the page of letters, and only these legends, and the remaining ruins of the works of art, and the foundations of the old temples, where, almost down to our day, "burned the eternal fires," now exist as mementos of a most interesting past, and an exceedingly interesting race of men.

The commercial intercourse, and business relations of this colonial people, has been in the main with the Spanish people, and the south of Europe. But instead of keeping pace with the progress of the people from which they sprung, in arts, science and the use of improved implements of husbandry and for manufacturing, the great distance from the source of supply, and the exhausting wars rendering it more necessary to apply themselves to the arts of war rather than peace; the ease with which the absolute necessaries of life were obtained, all these, with other causes combined, have tended to keep the masses much in the condition of the tillers of the soil hundreds of years since, and I might almost say, thousands of years since, and under the same modes and with the same implements used in Egyptian agriculture.

But all this is fast passing away. Since New Mexico became a part of the territories of the United States, the new methods of production, by new and more perfect implements, are fast supplanting the ancient ones, and new commercial relations with a more enterprising people, are fast transforming our people into a more industrious, self reliant and enterprising community. A desire for progress exists among the people. A desire for education. While there had been no common schools in our territory, and the desire for knowledge through books had almost died out among the people, at last a reaction came. Contact with enlightened business men came to have its effect, and two years since our legislature very wisely made provision for common schools where all can have the advantages of education and at a small cost, and made provision for the proper tax, to support such schools, thus placing our people upon the same basis as the most enlightened part of the world. No one can measure the value of that act of our legislature adopting a school system and providing a tax for its support.

The law is undoubtedly defective, but a beginning has been made in the right direction and now let it be changed or amended whenever and wherever needed, until we have the most perfect of human laws, but let us never go back on education. Our action on this subject has gone forth to every state, and the result is, that inquiry has increased four fold, as to every thing relative to New Mexico for purposes of business and residence.

DESTITUTION OF MEANS OF INFORMATION.

We seem to be destitute of the means of giving information to the world, in regard to our immense resources, our climate and productions, and capabilities. In many of the states and territories, there exists some kind of immigration commission through which information is conveyed to people of every nation, and people seeking new homes and new enterprises are drawn into states and territories by hundreds and thousands with all the money and wealth at their command.

WE NEED IN NEW MEXICO MEN OF MEANS

to engage in large enterprises of mining, stock and sheep raising, wool raising and manufacturing, and the raising of cotton, in grape culture and wine manufacturing. We have a large supply of laborers but we need money to be invested in these great enterprises, and to supply our laborers. It seems to me that some method should be devised to get information abroad, as to our resources and capabilities, some plan not expensive, but which for a small expenditure would bring back a very large amount of capital. The applications are constant for information about this territory, and the information which we can give, by a single short letter here and there is of very little consequence.

COMMISSION TO PREPARE INFORMATION TO SEND ABROAD.

A commission to prepare a pamphlet document in regard to New Mexico, and spread it abroad throughout the States, if only in the English language and not sent to any foreign country, would be of great value, now that the attention of miners and stock raisers, has been turned a little in this direction.

The territory of Arizona the last year through its last legislature organized such a commission, consisting of the Gov-

ernor and two other competent men, who published a neat pamphlet in regard to the productions and capabilities of the several counties separately, and there can be no doubt of the good tendency of such a work. The showing which New Mexico could make through such a work, when compared with other territories, would not shame our people, but place them in the advance in any fair way of competion.

Constant applications are made to the executive from all parts, for some book, print or pamphlet of any kind, which will furnish light as to this country and people. But not the smallest work is at the command of the executive for such purpose.

The legislature at its last session authorized some hundreds of extra copies of the executive message of that year, and intended only for the legislature, to be printed and sent abroad by the executive, to members of congress and other prominent men. These were sent and although not intended for such purposes, contained, from necessity, many things tending to interest considerably the people of the States. A little light thus found its way to many intelligent people, who became greatly interested, and the demand has been constant for more light.

The geography, and especially the maps of this country, all have been wretchedly defective and worse than useless; exhibiting scarcely anything except a continuous bed of uneven rock surface, much like the description of the surface of the moon.

CHARACTER OF WORK TO BE SENT ABROAD.

A work that should give a fair description of the fertile valleys of New Mexico, where agriculture has been carried on for hundreds of years without the aid of manures, except such as is carried on by irrigation and from the flow of water coming down from and through the debris and washings of the fmountain sides, so that the crops are not only as large as when the valleys were first tilled but larger than the average crops of the states where the ground is most successfully cultivated by manures and the natural rain fall. Such a work showing the extent of the Rio Grande del Norte with its numerous tributaries commencing in the springs and mountains above the north line of New Mexico, enlarged by these tributaries so as to become a large river even in the most northern counties of the territory, and continuing a

broad beautiful river on the western slope for more than 400 miles in New Mexico, running through the whole length of the Territory from north to south, and watering one of the richest valleys of the world, and in its whole length extending more than fifteen hundred miles.

The Pecos on the Eastern slope of the principal mountains, commencing by its many little head water streams, at almost the extreme north line of the Territory, and running down through the great valley of the Pecos the whole length of the Territory from the North and reuniting with the Rio Grande below the south line of New Mexico.

The Canadian extending up from the East line nearly half way across the territory with its numerous mountain tributaries watering the whole North Eastern portion of the country. The San Juan formed by the San Jose, De la Platte, Navajo, Florida, De los Pinos, and numerous other small streams supplying all the north western portion of the western slope of the San Juan mountains famous for its lately discovered mineral wealth. In the South West, Agate creek, Sapello river, Bean creek and other mountain streams, commencing in the Pinos Altos mountains, and forming the head waters of the Gila—such a statement in regard to our water resources, both for irrigation, pasturing and mining would exhibit a far different picture, than is now seen in the published maps of New Mexico.

Add to this a description of the mineral wealth of our territory as it is beginning to be discoverd in all our mountain sides, the gold, silver, copper, lead, anthracite and bituminous coal, and iron. Very reliable data exhibiting the fact that at Silver City now, with imperfect machinery and very small appliances, silver to the amount of $5,000 per week is reduced and sent off, while with proper machinery and appliances it is believed the same mines will furnish from $25,000 to $50,000 worth of silver. The Socorro mines are attracting great attention. Reduction works, but on a small scale, have been put in operation in the copper fields near Santa Fe, and there is a prospect of a large investment by foreign capitalists in working the great Placer gold mines, and in bringing water by canal from the Rio Pecos to the mines, while the San Juan mines in the North West are calling a great immigration to that region, and the yield of mineral is reported at almost fabulous figures.

The great quantities of wood, and of most excellent quality for lumber and fuel, scattered over the mountains, in the cañons, on the plains and along the streams—a supply greater probably them any other of the territories.

The famous grama grasses which cover the plains, cañons, mountains and hills, which itself cures into hay, furnishing ample supplies of food during the entire year for countless numbers of cattle and sheep, which pick their own food without the intervention of the scythe or mower, and which are the most nutritous grasses and the best hay in the known world, and outside of New Mexico seldom seen.

In addition to all this, an exhibit of the success in stock growing, the immense numbers of sheep raised in New Mexico, believed to be in excess of all the other Territories together, and raised at a nominal cost only, the yearly increase in the exports of wool, in a climate when the thermometer ranges generally in the summer from about 62 to 79, and in the colder weather seldom gets below the freezing point except in the extreme northern part of the territory or on the mountain tops—where consumptions are never known among the native population, and fever and ague seldom if ever heard of—where the streams are alive with the delicious speckled trout, and the woods are the hunting ground for the bear, deer, antelope, turkey and occasionally the buffalo.

Then add, also, that the land is filled with gypsum, marble, saltpetre, quicksilver and, more valuable than all, a supply of salt almost sufficient for the world, and which costs simply the labor of shoveling it from the bank or mountain bed, and which to day is furnished in any quantity at forty cents per bushel at Santa Fe—which is by law open to all at the sole cost of digging and hauling to the point needed,—these, with such other statements as would arise incidentally, once placed properly before the people surrounding us, could not fail to bring to our borders energetic and enterprising men and women from all the states, who would add greatly to our wealth, our business facilities, our general commerce and to the progress of our entire territory.

EFFECT OF SUCH INFORMATION ON FOREIGN POPULATION.

Not alone from the states and territories of the United States comes inquiry as to "where can settlements be made in your Territory?" "where can I get two or five hundred acres of land for myself and a few friends?" or, "some thous-

ands of acres upon which to establish a colony of agriculturalists, mechanics and artisans?" but long letters come from France and the German states, seeking extensive information as to the soil, climate, productions and capabilities of New Mexico for the purposes of mining, manufacturing, agriculture, grape growing, wool growing, wine manufacture and the growth of fruits.

Undoubtedly all the fruits which succeed well in California, the grape, the raisin, orange, fig and nearly all tropical fruits, will do well in some portion of New Mexico; but how shall the people in foreign countries be made acquainted with the facts, when even our nearest adjoining States and Territories are without any definite knowledge on the subject. And if a foreigner should get to the American side of the Atlantic, what chance has New Mexico to interest such an one. Nearly every other state or territory has some commission or means of information to lead in emigrants, with each his little wealth to build up the country, and add his mite to the general wealth and industries accumulating; but what is New Mexico doing? Is it replied, she cannot afford to spend money in getting people here from abroad.

As well might the merchant say I cannot afford to let people know I am a merchant, or the kinds of goods I sell. And it is getting to be pretty well known by the results, what States and Territories are securing the aid, in wealth, work and enterprise of the foreigner who seeks some portion of America for himself and friends.

Of course we have little money to expend for such or any other purpose, but there is a wide difference between a rigid and wise economy, and a narrowness which causes us to shut our eyes to the object we might attain, and prevent us from reaching after the good within our grasp almost at the cost of closing our hands upon the object to be gained As early as 1865 Governor Connelly called the attention of the legislature to this subject and urged its importance. The idea is not a new one, but seems to be a common sense view which has been adopted for a long time. The difference of opinion would seem more likely to arise as to the cheapest method and most effective way of securing a valuable result. In 1872 the State of Michigan through its immigration agencies secur-

ed 11,923 people to locate in that State. If each of these persons contributed but one hundred dollars to the wealth of the State the aggregate would be nearly one and a quarter millions of dollars in one year.

A very small outlay of means, in spreading abroad information in some way, and in such manner as your judgment should suggest through a proper law for that purpose, I think would give back, a speedy and valuable return.

THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TERRITORY

has very greatly changed since the last meeting of our legislature. Instead of our territorial warrants and other indebtedness of our territory being hawked about our streets and sold at twenty cents on the dollar, and often this even, not paid in money, these warrants and other evidences of debt have for more than a year past been selling for from seventy-five to ninety cents on the dollar, and but for a single omission in the law, and had the entire recommendation of the executive message been adopted, as in the main it was adopted, then warrants would be nearly at par. A wise step was taken in the right direction, and its consequences have been excellent to the last degree. No Territory or State can make so good a showing as to her advance in financial affairs and the advancement of her credit within two years, as can New Mexico, whatever may have been our views as to the success of the plan adopted. No sane man will now deny that the effect of our legislation has been to enable the man, who had done a service to the Territory for which he ought to be paid, to get his pay almost dollar for dollar, for what was justly due him, and the general credit of the Territory is established. The course so wisely adopted in enacting the proper laws for promptly paying our interest and providing for the early extinguishment of our debt and then to "pay as we go," was eminently wise and prudent, and it has placed New Mexico on a better basis as to credit, than she has for many years if ever held.

We are no longer disgraced with the cry, that New Mexico with all her wealth of gold and silver refuses or neglects to pay her interest. But New Mexico can, and does stand up, in her increasing strength, declaring to the world, not only her ability but her willingness to pay her debts, with interest and thereby establish her character for honesty and fair dealing. Wisdom will direct a continuance of a policy dic-

tated and sustained by law, which has been so pleasantly, quietly, and quickly inaugurated, by which the entire people shall, through her schools become an enlightened people, and through her probity, in meeting her financial engagements, secure that character at home and abroad, of which any people may be justly proud.

The actual indebtedness of the Territory was comparatively nothing. Many little towns of not more than five thousand to ten thousand people, have voted a greater indebtedness upon a single little town municipality than the entire indebtedness of New Mexico, our indebtedness has never at any one time I believe exceeded one hundred thousand dollars, and this, if levied by a tax upon the whole property of the territory would not reach one dollar a head of the population. And one fourth of one per cent, or twenty five cents on one hundred dollars on the real value of the territorial property would be more than sufficient to extinguish the debt at once.

New Mexico will not turn back upon such a record, so recently made, and which meets the approbation of all good men.

Thus have been established our foundations for intelligence, knowledge and honesty, and from these foundations let us never depart.

Let us use all our endeavors to bring to perfection the system begun, amend or change to secure equality and justice in the details of the laws, but stand firmly upon our sure foundations.

Immigration to our territory can not be secured, of the classes most desirable, until it is settled beyond a question, that we shall not be disgraced by repudiation, overwhelmed by improvident taxes, nor the children left without the means of education open to all, and to the fullest extent offered by any territory, state or country.

The stand taken against past usage, borne down by constant wars, since the first attempt at settlement as early as 1540, by which the people have been impoverished constantly and without their consent have been annexed to another country, with other languages, institutions and laws, have maintained their loyalty to this new government and order of things, and have offered themselves upon the altar of their country in good faith, through which they have continued to

suffer in life and estate to the last degree, and for which to this hour they have received nothing save the consciousness of having done right—this noble stand has been still more exalted, by the fact that instead of seeking repudiation, the constant out growth and concomitant of the national life of the state to which they had been attached—they have through their legislature advanced to the foremost position of civilization, in favor of law and order, and the most enlightened policies of government, in favor of education so that in future the counsels of the country shall be guided by knowledge, intelligence and wisdom, in contradistinction from the past usages when there was no provision of law made for the payment of the honest indebtedness of the Territory for services actually rendered by her own citizens, and when upon a vote in favor of supporting common schools, and by direct taxation, less than forty votes were cast for the law to five thousand against it—this change, and this exalted position now taken, marks a most important era in the history of New Mexico, showing that our people when called to think properly and sufficiently, have not mistaken their interests, while the eyes of the whole country are turned to New Mexico, as a land of great probabilities, and greater possibilities for an early and magnificent commonwealth, dependent now chiefly upon

SOME SYSTEM OF TRANSPORTATION AND INTER-COMMUNICATION,

by which people from other states and countries can come into our territory with greater ease and comfort, and at far less expense, and the products of their labor and skill may be transported to the great commercial emporiums of the East, and exchanged at a reasonable cost.

This great want will soon be met. But half a dozen years since we were obliged to convey all goods between New Mexico and the Missouri river by common freight wagons. Now in addition to old methods, the Kansas Pacific Railway has reached within a hundred or a hundred fifty miles of our Northern Border, and during the last year has constructed fifty five miles more of railroad reaching from Kit Carson to Fort Lyon, and it is believed will continue her branch line at an early day as far south as Santa Fe and the crossing of the great Atlantic and Pacific road which must pass through Santa Fe or Albuquerque, or on some line intermediate of.

these two points. Besides this the Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe railroad, commencing at Atchison on the Missouri River and in the midst of one of the most fertile and wealthy valleys of the continent, has in an almost incredibly short time, been constructed nearly five hundred miles, almost in a straight line towards Santa Fe south westerly, through the entire State of Kansas, and half this line of road runs up the valley of the Arkansas River, and at or near the sources of the Arkansas it strikes the head waters of the Pecos River, the headwaters of the Canadian, and continuing almost in a direct line with its whole course through Kansas it ultimately reaches the upper valley of the Rio Grande del Norte and will undoubtedly intersect the Atlantic and Pacific at or below Santa Fe, or the Denver and Rio Grande line which is partially constructed and will connect Denver, by a line running almost the entire length of the Rio Grande del Norte, with the City of Mexico in old Mexico, through as rich a valley as can be found in the Western world.

These valleys, the Pecos and the Rio Grande, extending in great and varied breadth through the whole length of New Mexico, one on the east and the other on the western slope, have a length in New Mexico of nearly one thousand miles, and of the richest country on this continent north of the Isthmus, which will be furnished to a considerable extent through these roads and their branches, and those with which they connect, with transportation for their ever increasing wealth of mineral, coal, stock, sheep and wool, and these with the Southern or Texas line, with the Atlantic and Pacific, will furnish us with as great facilities for transportation as can be found in any new western state. The prospects of New Mexico in regard to railroads, with the expenditures already made, are indeed encouraging, and the people abroad, only wait, now, the completion of some line of railroad by which they can enter our Territory at some moderate cost, when the country will be filled and covered with a new life, and a new energy. For this, we should seek to be prepared by placing all our institutions upon a basis consonant with the broad and enlarged views of the most intelligent and enlightened people that may find their way here.

It is to be hoped that the months will not be many, when the great Atlantic and Pacific railroad will be constructed, which will make a continuation of the above roads mention-

ed. These roads may be delayed in their construction for a time by financial panics and embarrassments, like the almost causeless panic which has lately befallen us, still these roads which have already been commenced, and upon which millions have now been expended, cannot now stop in the center of some dreary waste, or in the center of some vast Eldorado of wealth, but must at an early day find an outlet to both the oceans east and west, and send the products of the rich interior to the inhabitants of the commercial world. It requires no prophetic wisdom to foresee all this, and the inhabitants of the States and Territories about us, are only waiting for some consummation in regard to modes of conveyance and transportation, when they will strike with energy, and with proper means, for a country so rich in natural resources and in a climate excelling Switzerland or Italy in salubrity and uniformity of temperature. A country where, in some part may be successfully raised and matured the products of nearly every clime under the sun, and the necessaries of life grow almost spontaneously. The past has been severe; the future certainly opens with the brightest prospects for an ultimate noble commonwealth of intelligent, honest, educated and enterprising people, whose foundation monuments for the future are now being laid by wise and beneficent laws, which shall last longer, and stand out more prominently on the page of history than the monuments of old Mexico, or the pyramids of ancient Egypt.

In our legislation we must be governed by no narrow conceits, but with great prudence and caution, as to expenditures, we must yet be broad and liberal in our foundations while just in all the details of legislation.

PROGRESS VISIBLE EVERYWHERE.

Look where ever we will over our territory, we can not fail to discern that energy is inspiring our people, and while we can move but slowly under all our disadvantages, still a little progress, where all has been stagnant and dead for ages, cannot fail to be seen and felt, and to cheer the heart with some hopes that before had not been awakened.

DESTITUTION AS TO STATE LAWS.

Another draw back to information which should go abroad and which is imperatively needed at home exists in the fact that we have not in our Territorial Library, or elsewhere be-

longing to the territory and not already appropriated, a single copy of the Revised Laws of 1865, which contains all our Statute Laws except the subsequent Session laws, nor are there any of these session laws of the several legislatures since 1865 to be had anywhere. Almost daily applications for these laws are made by officers who are entitled to them, and who are required to administer the laws, but not a single copy can be found; and it required a whole year to gather up a full set of the laws passed since 1865, for the use of the executive office. Officers elected to administer laws, who have not a copy of the laws to be administered, can hardly be expected to be efficient in the public service. Where the fault lies for this state of things it is impossible now to state. Perhaps there was not as large a supply of the laws printed originally, as were required by the public needs, and it is possible, that like the papers and ancient archives, they have not had the greatest care bestowed upon them, and one by one have been spirited away from the proper repositary. It is undoubtedly true that some law is imperiously demanded, by which, the laws which are passed, should be printed in sufficient numbers, and above all be securely kept until drawn legitimately from the public repositary for public use, in accordance with law, and for no other purposes whatever. It certainly seems to be impossible to go much longer without the laws of the territory being placed in the hands of the administrators of the law, as there are now probably one fourth of the officers entitled to the laws, and cannot efficiently do their duties without them, who are at this moment entirely destitute.

SHALL THERE BE A REVISION AND REPRINT OF THE LAWS.

What then shall be done? Can we longer dispense with these laws? Is there not an absolute necessity for a revision and reprint of all the laws of the Territory now in force? We feel so poor, and this people has been so impoverished in a thousand ways in all the past, that we cannot but hesitate about doing anything to make, or increase taxes, except where the needs are imperative, and where there will come evidently an overwhelming return of good for the outlay. If in your judgment the necessities of the case are imminent and we must have such revision, then a law should be passed to make provision therefor, and if it should be left to the Territory to determine who shall make such revision, then for the gov-

ernor to appoint a commission for such purpose. It is possible, and I should have great hope that congress would provide for the payment for the expense of such revision, when it should be made to appear to congress that there is a most pressing necessity for the expenditure. It will be for you to determine whether any, or what action, shall be taken by way of providing for such revision and reprint, contingent upon the proper action of Congress for the payment of the expenses thereof, or without such provision by Congress, if the needs are so great that the revision can no longer be delayed. The cost will be large. But the importance of the subject is so great as to commend itself to you earnest attention.

THE NEW APPORTIONMENT.

A serious neglect on the part of the legislature, at its last session, forced on the Executive, the necessity of newly apportioning the Council and House of Representatives for the Territory. The duty was imperative, and however unpleasant, there was no way of avoiding it. That the members of the two branches of the legislature, had more knowledge on the subject than the excutive could have, there can scarcely be a doubt. And yet the conflicting interests and prejudices growing out of sectional feelings and local and partisan differences, might have produced an apportionment less equitable than the present. No course was left to the executive, ignorant as to local, sectional or partisan differences, but to make the division as to numbers, as near equal as possible, having regard to county lines, and convenient and contiguous territory. Under this apportionment elections have been held and there has appeared to be entire satisfaction among the people in regard to it.

In as much as this apportionment was made by the proclamation of the governor and does not appear in the Session laws, and their being but one single public territorial record thereof in the office of the Secretary of the Territory, I have deemed it advisable to state here, that in pursuance of the Act of the Legislative Assembly of New Mexico and of the organic law of this Territory, I did apportion the representation among the counties and districts of this Territory, in the Council and House of Representatives in the manner, and in words following, that is to say:

"The counties of Bernalilo, Socorro and Rio Arriba shall "each be entitled to and shall elect one member of the "Council.

"The counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln together "shall be entitled to and shall elect one member of the "Council.

"The counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana together shall be "entitled to and shall elect two members of the Council.

"Valencia county shall be entitled to and shall elect two "members of the council.

"Taos county shall be entitled to and shall elect two mem- "bers of the council.

"Colfax and Mora counties together shall be entitled to and "shall elect one member of the council.

"San Miguel county shall be entitled to and shall elect two "members of the council.

"The counties of Bernalillo, Socorro, Mora and Rio Arriba "shall each be entitled to and shall elect two members of the "House of Representatives.

"The counties of Doña Ana, Grant and Lincoln together "shall be entitled to and shall elect two members of the House "of Representatives.

"The counties of Santa Fe and Santa Ana together shall be "entitled to and shall elect four members of the House of Re- "presentatives.

"The counties of Taos and Valencia shall each be entitled "to and shall elect three members of the House of Represen- "tatives.

"Colfax county shall be entitled to and shall elect one mem- "ber of the House of Representatives.

"San Miguel county shall be entitled to and shall elect five "members of the House of Representatives."

This appointment was made on the 28th day of February in the year 1872.

A STATE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED.

By an act of the last legislature, a state constitution, which had been adopted by the legislature, was required to be submitted by the Executive through the constituted authorities to a vote of the people. This vote was to be returned to the Governor, Attorney General and Treasurer of the Territory who were required on a certain fixed day to count the votes, and if a majority of the votes cast should be in favor of the constitution, then the governor should on a certain day issue his proclamation for an election of certain officers. The returns of the votes from the several counties were not made

in time to be counted as the act of the legislature required, and of course with this failure, all the subsequent proceedings were ended. The commission to count and declare the vote had no power to delay, adjourn, or put off the count, nor to send for returns or votes, but was in everything strictly limited to the specific power designated by the act.

On the day designated, the commission met to examine, count and declare the vote. Only partial returns came in, and with the expiration of the day, expired also the power to act, and of course no legal count was made of the vote, for and against the constitution, and no further action was required either of the commission or of the executive in regard to the matter. The time for returning and counting the vote, and the subsequent action to be taken thereon, was by an evident oversight or mistaken computation of time, made too short, and thus made the whole effort, to obtain the views of our people on the subject, nugatory.

ON THE SUBJECT OF A STATE GOVERNMENT,

I have no opinion to express. While several of the former governors of our Territory have urged, sometimes with great vehemence, the value, if not necessity, of an immediate state organization, I am myself quite willing to leave the whole matter in the hands of the people where it properly belongs, and who must ultimately decide for themselves. In the last message of Governor Connelly, being his fourth message to the legislature of of New Mexico, he occupied I think six or eight pages of his printed message, in earnestly pressing the benefits to be derived from such state organization, and the misfortune of delay in the matter. Other governors have adopted like conclusions I believe, and have urged such movement as the first step in any great progressive movement for this Territory. They have urged that the advantage of a state of majority in the brotherhood of States, giving to the new state an equal power in the Senate of the United States, with the oldest and most populous state of the Union, and with a voting representative in the House of Representatives in Congress, would be of incalculable benefit to us, and a boon which any civilized and intelligent people would not fail to seek, and that the past history of the country in regard to the admission of states, has not only shown this, but the right to such admission into the brotherhood of states based upon a population much less than that of New Mexico, had been conceded almost from the begining of the

government, especially where all the institutions of the Territory and its laws were in conformity, in letter and spirit, with the laws and institutions of the general government of the United States. And in proof of this, the case of the several states, as to population when admitted is cited:

Vermont	admitted in	1791	with a population of	85,339
Kentucky	do	1792	do	73,077
Tennessee	do	1796	do	77,202
Ohio	do	1802	do	41,915
Louisiana	largely foreign	1812	do	76,556
Indiana	admitted in	1816	do	63,805
Mississippi	do	1817	do	75,512
Illinois	do	1818	do	34,620
Missouri	do	1821	do	66,586
Arkansas	do	1836	do	52,240
Florida	do	1845	do	54,447
Iowa	do	1846	do	81,920
Oregon	do	1849	do	52,465
Nevada	do	1864	do	40,000
Nebraska	do	1866	do	60,000

And it is asked, "if fifteen of the twenty-four states admitted since the original thirteen, have been so admitted on an average population of less than 63,000 shall not New Mexico with an admitted population of 40,000 in excess of this average, be allowed this long acknowledged right?" It is objected, however, that the progress of the Territory and the increase of of her population, has not kept pace with other States and Territories. That the population in 1850 was 61,500; in 1860 including Arizona and a large tract of country set off from New Mexico to Colorado was 93,616 and in 1870 the population of New Mexico proper, as appeared by the census of that year was only 91,817. But if this census had included the numbers set off to Arizona of 9,581, and the people set off to Colorado, 13,318, the census would have shown a total of 114,716. Add to this the great influx of people within the last three years would make our present population not far from 135,000, and taking off the 9,581 which has been transferred to Arizono, and the number transferred to Colorado, and it will be seen that while the average increase of the population of the States and Territories from 1860 to 1870 was about 21 per cent. the real increase of New Mexico, away in her mountains, and remote from railroads and the great centers of commerce, has been during the same period,

not below the general average of increase in the territories and older states. The best informed persons in the Territory on the subject place our population in New Mexico proper within its present boundaries at 120,000, and if we include the 7,000 Pueblo Indians who are excellent farmers, industrious, quiet people, who for centuries have been self sustaining citizens, loyal to the government and faithful to all the relations of life and of good society, there can scarcely be a doubt that our population will reach the number of 120,000, and more.

The whole question of power is of course in congress as to admission. And possessing the power, congress will for itself settle the question of right, as to time, numbers, and other questions. But, with the people, the important question must be, would it better our condition upon the whole? Many believe that we shall gain more by aid from the general government by remaining in a Territorial condition, than in assuming a state government and paying its expenses.

The history of the last twenty years aid to this Territory, and the prospects for the future as to such help, are open to all alike, and therefore I do not deem it best to advise or recommend in the matter, but have simply laid the subject before you, as it has been brought forward and exhibited by the previous action of the legislature and people of the Territory. And I could do no less than to present to you substantially what has been done, and the basis of such action.

An attempt having been made since the last session of the legislature, to take the opinion and desires of the people upon this subject, which attempt failed, through a defect in the law, it seemed proper to lay the subject before you again, for action or non action as in your judgment may be deemed best. It has not heretofore, and it is hoped never will be made a partizan question, but it is nevertheless a subject of deep importance to the people of New Mexico.

EDUCATION.

It is a source of profound gratification to me, and generations will rise up to bless the people of New Mexico, that through the enactments of 1871 and 1872 of their legislature, a system of free common schools was inaugurated, not in name alone, but a tax on all the property of the territory to sustain such schools, thus determining, we hope forever, the fact that New Mexico shall have the same facilities for common education as are provided for all the civilized parts of

the world, and keeping pace especially with the educational institutions adopted generally throughout the United States. This opens the way by which men of families to be educated, and young married men just going forth into the world may make New Mexico their home, without feeling that all the advantages for educating their children are left behind. The education and training for usefulness of these children is to be their life long endeavor. They could never before think of making this Territory their ultimate home, and this was a great step for New Mexico. A government under which this people had lived for centuries had so long neglected education, that it had no longer been deemed one of the necessities of society. A few of the more enlightened and distinguished, and possessing ample wealth, and anxious that their children should take rank among the first of any society had at great expense provided for the education of their sons and daughters abroad. And many of these educated people take high rank, and would take it any where, for their general knowledge in arts science and literature, and in the fine arts especially have they excelled. Through this education, attained at great expense, many of the present race here have become quite proficient in letters and general learning, and are for these greatly distinguished, as well as for great liberality of views, and almost untold hospitality. But the masses! O how neglected, until the love of knowledge had almost departed.

The government of the United States, taking into its care this people, and endeavoring to make their institutions in harmony with those of the United States, it would have been supposed, would have provided some system for education into the general learning of the country, as soon as this community had been committed to its care by the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo; but the movement of nations being slow, this people for a quarter of a century, has been left without advice or aid, on the subject of the education of the masses, while a people of one hundred thousand and more speaking another language, and remote from centers of civilization and commerce, have been groping their way in darkness waiting the advent of that light, which the nations had been told, was constantly emitted, from the enlightened institutions of America. But that light has been darkness, and we can only duly appreciate it, by considering what would have been the

effect upon the States, had the common schools therein been blotted out for the last twenty five years. This people brought under the ægis of this great, powerful and enlightened people of the United States stood for a time waiting to see what was to be done for and with them. Transferred by the power of governments and the necessities of war; a people before subject to arbitrary power, now knew nothing of their actual status, or their rights under the new order of things—knew not what to ask for—how to ask, or what to expect. Soon came a rebellion, in which our own government was divided. The natural instincts of this people, coupled with a native loyalty to original government and universal freedom, enabled them to choose the right, and to fight manfully on the side of loyalty and the true government. But during all these years education and schools were absolutely lost sight of, and a desire for letters and general education had almost to be created, before any step could be taken by way of legislation, to secure so great a boon as common schools. Books were scarce, and schools houses, if ever there were any, had become obsolete. Added to these had been the still greater trouble to enlist those who hold power and influence, and had means, to aid in getting up and supporting a system of common schools.

Well may we be thankful, that there has arisen a right desire, and a determination to have a common school education at the command of all; and while this people have been impoverished by war and by Indian depredations from the earliest times, still they are ready to be taxed a reasonable sum for the support of common schools. But to begin with a population of 100,000, and without books, at all, is an immense undertaking and our discouragement must be very great for many years. Even among the Creek Indians of the Indian Territory, it is said about one half can read and write, but here we have not even the proper teachers, and outside of Santa Fe, until within the last year and a little over, there were not half a dozen schools probably, of all kinds, in New Mexico. And so hopeless was the task, and so little the desire for establishing schools by any system of general taxation therefor, that only about 37 votes in 5000 could be obtained for establishing common schools and supporting the same by a general tax upon property. But a great change has been made in the right direction. Our people have became satisfied that

the intelligent of other states and countries will not bring their families of children, and their means of wealth into a country which furnishes neither colleges, nor universities, nor the means of a common school education. And our legislature at its last session, nobly came forward, and provided the necessary laws to meet this emergency. Their action has gone out to the world, and New Mexico stands out in a new manhood before the world, and this step is made the theme of praise in all the States. Let us thank God, and go forward. Our beginning is small, but its results who can tell. The law should undoubtedly be amended, as there are many defects, and there are some doubts as to the intention of its makers. There should undoubtedly be some provision made to secure uniformity, and a correct report to the executive as early as the 1st of October in each year, of all that has been done during the previous year, with the amount of money paid out, and such other information as will enable the executive to recommend, and the legislature from time to time to make such additional laws, as may be needed to forward the great interests of education.

Upon comparing the old statutes with the new, it appears that while the new statutes provided for county supervisors of schools it did not directly repeal the old law in regard to the Territorial Superintendent, and perhaps that would not be best. It is probable that for uniformity and general supervision there should be a general superintendent of schools, as there is, I believe, in nearly every state in the Union. There is abundant labor for such an officer. In any event the law should be made plain, where it is now exceedingly doubtful. And then with unwearied patience, toil and time, we shall make progress, if but slowly, in the great work which must continue forever. Our people have redeemed themselves before the world, from the evidences of deplorable disregard, for the welfare of our race, of which mention was made in my last message to the legislature of New Mexico, and we shall soon see the effects of our system of education begun, by the prosperity which cannot fail to surround an educated and enlightened people. The pursuits of manufacturing, and scientific utilization of the great materials of wealth scattered over our country in its extensive mines of gold, silver, platinium, copper, lead, zinc, coal, marble, gypsum and iron, will follow the establishment of schools for education and our

Territory will soon take a stand among the great commonwealths of the nation which shall add lustre to the memory of every man who shall have added his mite in establishing our educational foundations, and therewith the progress and perfection of civil institutions.

Our poverty stands in our way everywhere. The vast destruction of property from time immemorial by Indian raids and other wars have not only made our people poor as to money, but for a long time and from a period not now within the recollection of man, this beautiful country with all its inherent wealth has been continually drenched in human blood and the arts of war have been a necessity while those of peace have been forgotten.

If we had now but one hundred school houses in as many of the most populous precincts of the Territory, how it would lift us up. How it would encourage every heart and what hopes it would raise.

No people on earth, without education, are possessed of more practical wisdom or common sense in the ordinary affairs of life than the people of New Mexico. They are patient frugal, contented, hospitable, affectionate and kind, but their creative power is not quite adequate to our necessities in the way of public school houses. They are shrewd and foreseeing, and it is said that there were not a score of men in New Mexico of any prominence, in the time of the late rebellion, who did not foresee the final result and place himself on the side of law, the right, and of the party ultimately prevailing, but they cannot devise means to meet the present wants of the people for schools. Neither congressional nor Peabody schools have came to the aid of this people while they could aid freedmen in the oldest states. But it does seem to me that when this subject in all its bearing shall be laid before congress, we shall get some aid by way of lands or through some loan to us predicated upon lands set apart to us for schools but as yet unavailable, by which we can get some nucleus around which we can ultimately concentrate the facilities for some good common schools. A few school houses—what beacons of light to this sadly neglected people. Our history is anomalous, our condition anomalous, the circumstances and surroundings anomalous.

In the territories generally are enterprising people from the oldest states, possesing the knowledge the intelligence,

the language, the laws and the habits and institutions of the most enlightened states of the world who spread themselves over the land. They had the means of starting schools at once, the teachers, the books, a knowledge of the system and countless other advantages. But here is a people a thousand miles inland, away from all sources of knowledge and civilization with scarcely the power, in the midst of the relentless, cruel and devastating savages everywhere surrounding them, to secure the bread necessary to keep the body in condition to hold the soul—their gains, if any, consumed by others—the sport of the wild men of the forests or the traffic of remote governments—this people transferred without their consent or choice to another government of whose laws, language or institutions they have no knowledge, now lift their hands and in the name of humanity ask that they may have the means of knowledge furnished them which shall fit them by education to stand equal with any other commonwealth of America, they themselves contributing all the means within their power to secure so desirable an end.

I suggested in my last message that it was possible an arrangement might be made by which congress would permit us to anticipate to the extent of $100,000 on the lands bestowed on us for school purposes, and furnish a small amount to aid in the erection of at least 100 school houses in the most populous precincts, and I have no doubt our present delegate to congress, a most able and educated man, will give his whole power and influence to the attainment of so laudable a consumation. If congress cannot do this, then we must seek some other plan for aid, all the time showing a willingness on our part to do all that is within our power and means to secure the noble result we seek. The details of the plan more at length for anticipating the $100,000 or the interest thereof for the term of twenty years without interest, may be found in the last general executive message to the legislature and I have not deemed it best to repeat such details. Our land being unsurveyed mostly, the 16th and 36th sections are entirely unavailable. In other territories their school lands were sold in time to provide for the wants of schools, but here 100,000 people are located and not a foot of land available for school purposes. To enable you to secure more definite knowledge as to our actual success in commencing a system

of common schools, I sent out a circular to Probate Judges of the several counties, asking them to send me information as to the number of schools kept in the several counties, the length of time such schools have been kept severally, and the amount expended for schools in each of the counties together with information in relation to taxes and inviting suggestions as to any amendments which in their judgment might be proper in the present laws. Only a few of the Judges have yet made their report at this writing, but so far as I have received information, the results are the most gratifying. Bernalillo county reports from Nov. 1872 to September 1st, 1873, there have been kept 14 schools. Three of these were continued 10 months each, while the other 11 were continued from 3 to 5 months each, an average of 5 months each for the entire 14 schools, and their expenditure for these schools for the year 1873 has been $2,867 00.

Taos county makes return that 12 schools have been kept in that county, one in each precinct or district, but the numbers of months of each school is not given; the amount paid out for schools in 1873 is $765 94.

Valencia county reports that for 1873, 16 schools have been kept, continuing from 3 to 8 months each, at a cost of $1,642 00.

San Miguel county reports the number of her schools for the same year at 22. Of these schools 21 were kept 4½ months each, and one in precinct No. 5, eight months of the year, at the cost of $5,265 27 for all the schools for the year 1873, the 1st year of common schools ever known in New Mexico. A grand record for one year in San Miguel county.

Santa Fe county reports that she has collected for school purposes for the same year the sum of $3,092 49. Neither the number of schools, nor the time they have been continued is reported. Judging from the reports which have reached the executive office, the reports from all the counties should show the number of schools, of the whole Territory for the year 1873, to be in the aggregate about 200, and the cost thereof about $33,000.

This presents the facts that our people, pay a tax for the support of schools under the most depressing circumstances of nearly 33 cents per head for every man woman and child, for 200 schools kept on an average in each precinct from 5 to 6 months in each year. And it is believed that no state in the

union can show a more excellent record in its regard for the common education of its people. And this is the record of its first year in a country where such institutions were before unknown. Where common schools were but a myth, and where for 25 years under the most enlightened government of the world, a free common school had not been attempted. Such progress under all our surroundings is unparalleled.

LIBRARY AND PUBLIC ARCHIVES.

Upon the arrival in the territory of the present Executive, great complaint was made that the most valuable papers and archives of the Territory, of great value historically and otherwise, had been lost and destroyed, and were then becoming lost and destroyed for want of proper care and oversight. And these papers, dating in their origin, back from two to three hundred years, it was said had been sold for waste paper, and that upon a great clamor among the people in regard to this wanton destruction, a large amount of the papers amounting to two cords, wood measure, perhaps, had been secured from the parties to whom they had been sold for waste paper. The Executive and Librarian took great pains to have them gathered up from where they then were lying about in open sheds and a prey to every evil chance—gathered them into boxes and nailed them up in twelve dry goods boxes and then securely fastened them up in one of the rooms of the "palace" building. The Library was in a most deplorable condition of confusion and dust. The Territory was paying the Librarian three hundred dollars a year for care and attendance upon the Library, payable in Territorial Warrants then worth from twenty to forty cents on the dollar.

In the message of two years since to the Legislature, this subject was quite fully presented, and it was supposed that the representatives of a people, so proud of their ancient history, and so anxious to preserve every paper which might bear upon the rights of property or the general history of the country, would make the necessary provision to secure their future safety. And it was recommended that these papers and Archives should be gathered into proper packages according to dates, and filed and put away in pigeon holes or other safe place and put on shelves in the Library, and that an appropriation of five hundred dollars be made to meet the ex-

pense of the labor to be bestowed, or so much thereof as should be necessary, and it was also recommended that the Librarian be paid a sum for his services which should be proportionate to the labor to be performed in keeping the Library in good condition. It is probable that bills were drawn to meet the emergency; but if so, no law was perfected, and the papers and archives remain substantially in the same condition as they were in two years since, as well, also, as the Library, except that the Library has been cleared up and the books placed in as good order as they well could be considering that in the case of all valuable sets of books or nearly all, portions of the sets have been carried away and never returned, until the best sets of law reports have been rendered nearly valueless until the numbers missing can be newly supplied.

If the people of the territory are able to bear a small tax for such purposes, it would be of incalculable benefit, to have an expenditure of a small sum each year for a fixed number of years, with which to fill up gradually, (and begining with the most important works) the public Library. In a few years, by a small expenditure each year we should secure a very valuable Library. I lay the whole subject before you and ask your careful consideration of the same.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

So many times has this subject been brought before the several legislatures, and so many times has the legislature memorialized congress on the subject, and asked for aid, without any substantial response, that I feel a great hesitancy about bringing up the subject at all. And yet our public buildings, if they may be called by that name, are in such a deplorable condition that I cannot altogether pass over the subject.

Twenty years since, and soon after the treaty by which New Mexico became a part of the teritories of the United States, an appropriation was made of $20,000 for a State House. Soon after a like amount was appropriated for a penitentiary, and afterwards $60,000 was appropriated for the completion of a State House on a plan before that time adopted. This plan contemplated without doubt the expenditure of quite too large a sum.

But the money for the two first appropriations was expended in some way, and we have as the evidence of this the four out-

side stone walls of what was intended as the beginning of a State House. In 1860 another appropriation was made for finishing the State House, but upon a proviso that it should be completed upon certain plans and specifications which never were and never could be complied with, and thus has ended all aid to New Mexico towards the public buildings.—The sum thus appropriated was some time afterwards credited to New Mexico in account for a direct tax levied upon New Mexico, and we are where we were twenty years ago. And I noticed that recently when congress made provision for the erection of public buildings for the other Territories, no mention was made of New Mexico. I inquired of one of the delegates from one of the Territories, how this had occurred, and also brought up the subject to one of the committee on Territories, a very excellent man. He said, in substance, that it was thought New Mexico had received a fair sum for such purpose, and that no one appearing before the committee to fairly represent our case, as I had stated it, New Mexico had not been included in the list of Territories to be named in the bills for appropriations for such purposes.

There can scarcely be a doubt that the plans were originally too large and those who originated them expected, when the work was once commenced, congress would make all needful appropriations to meet the emergency. And upon looking over the amount of work done, it will be seen at once that there has been too great an expenditure for the work done. There has been bad management some where. But I asked the delegate and the member of the committee on Territories, "because the government through its authorized agents, not appointed by the people of New Mexico, have unwisely expended these appropriations, shall the people of New Mexico, forever remain without a building in which to hold its courts, in which to makes laws, and in which to confine its criminals?" Year by year a large expenditure has to be incurred in sending criminals convicted away to the State of Missouri to be safely kept. The Territory is without a decent Public Building, because 20 years since some agent of the government failed in his duties, or some plan was furnished him at headquarters requiring a greater sum than the appropriations made. So this poor remote Territory after being robbed in Indian wars from time immemorial and then prostrated by the rebellion, is still more to suffer for no fault of

its own. And this state of things must exist until some man in behalf of this Territory can truly and fairly represent the facts in this case and our condition. And when this is properly done, I fell as sure as I do of anything in the future, that the general government looking only to the right and the great interests of all, will listen to our call and heed our prayers and Congress will then provide for us a respectable place for doing the public business.

This old palace which for all we know may have been built as early as 1540, when from old Mexico was sent out the expedition of discovery to New Mexico, then known as Quivera, has never yet been finished nor put into such condition that any man in the Northern States would deem tolerable, scarcely, for the reception of a family, still is used for the same purposes it has been from time immemorial, viz: as the residence of the governor, and at one end as a place for the meeting of the legislature, and the other for the U. S. Depositary of moneys, while the centre is occupied by the governor's family. It is in the most dilapidated condition—dangerous to remain in, as the vigas or cross beams over head have been so long up and are bearing great burdens which are liable to give way at any time, with most disastrous results to life and property. And yet nothing has been done except a little temporary patch work, which has probably cost more than good substantial repairs would have done if made in time.

Some years since it was found that the Secretary's salary was not quite so large as was necessary to pay a man's expenses, when he had to purchase almost all the articles he used in eastern markets, and then pay from ten to forty cents a pound to get it here; so instead of meeting the case fairly and taking note of the difference in the expense of residing in New Mexico and the other Territories, the plan was adopted of making the Secretary of New Mexico, Superintendent of Public buildings at an additional salary of one thousand dollars per annum. There have been built no public buildings since; a very little repairs of the most inexpensive kind made. And how much these repairs have amounted to, their cost, value, and utility you can judge for yourselves. And I feel a great hesitancy about urging appropriations to be made of small sums which answer only temporary ends, and are almost useless, or of larger sums unless protected in-

some way so that the people of New Mexico actually get the benefit of the appropriation. Nothing could be more mischievous to us now, when we need appropriations, than to have it replied to us, "you have had them but they were not properly used." I do not mention these facts in regard to the small values the people received out of the appropriations made, in order to charge fault on any particular Secretary or other officer, but to show what would naturally occur from making an officer like a Secretary, whose duties are of so diverse character, simply because he was Secretary, also to be Superintendent of Public Buildings, a place which he might be totally unfit for.

This building, an immense building on the ground, needs a modern roof, and then finishing on the inside, with some outside walls to be repaired. New pillars in place of the front ones now going to decay, or casing them, and in place of the back ones which have mostly fallen down, and the inside properly lathed over head, and plastered outside with hard finish, and on the inside with ordinary finish and wood work painted. The building nearly three hundred feet long by forty-four wide, with portals on both sides the whole length, to finish it right, would probably cost, by doing the work in the most plain and economical manner here in Santa Fé, the expenditure of twenty thousand dollars, and when done would be good for fifty to one hundred years with trifling annual repairs of perhaps $300 a year. If the matter could be well and fairly represented to members of Congres, I feel certain we should secure the appropriation. The great difficulty lies of course in the fact that we have but a single delegate, without any voting power whatever, while he has as much to look after as many of the States with a voting power in the Senate as great as New York, and in the House the same power as many of the smaller States. We can again memorialize Congress on the subject, and by the efficient aid of our Delegate in Congress we may perhaps have some hope of aid. The failure in all such cases does not grow out of the fact that Congress takes no interest in our Territory, but in getting the proper knowledge of our affairs so spread abroad that Congress may feel safe in acting in the direction desired.

INDIANS.

This country, in some parts was so long the prey of the

wild and savage Indian, that although for the most part throughout our vast Territory of 121,000 square miles there is but occasionally a theft of cattle, horses or sheep in some remote region of the Territory, the public mind has been so harrowed up and horrified at the recital of the terrible savage massacres of the past, perhaps of deeds committed half a century since, that the moment New Mexico is named instantly the mind associates with it all the exaggerated statements, of cruelty which have come through inflammable newspaper articles and all the legendary tales which have been wrought out by the imagination of every novelist, and fabulous story teller of the last fifty years.

Occasionally, it is true, complaints are sent to us that the miners away on some remote point, where aid was not accessible, have lost some of their horses, mules, stock, &c., but the day of great devastations in New Mexico by Indians has passed. Occasional thefts will be committed, and even occasional murders, but I very much doubt whether there are not more thefts to day committed in New Mexico by marauding bands of outlaws, fugitives from other states and counties, who either themselves join in gathering up the stock of our herders and running it off into adjacent Territories, or they become the moving, active men in securing the Indian people to go forward into all the stealing and murderous operations peformed, while themselves take the chief benefit. Complaints have been made to this department quite as frequently against this class of roving bandits or outcasts living upon the outskirts of our more populous settlements, as against the Indians. And it is quite doubtful whether the depredations by the Indians for the last few years in New Mexico have been greater than the wicked depredations of another class of people, not Indians, in Kansas and other counties surrounding and adjacent to us. Still, the savage cruelties commited by roving bands of wild Indians, the cold blooded murders, the robberies, the tortures of women and children, which none but a brutal fiend could invent, for the long past, these never can forsake the memory of the present generation, and the fire has became so great, that a single act of this character now committed spreads it into a volcanic fire, which no human orders, laws or inventions can stop or extinguish. But the danger of any great calamity growing out of the hostility of the wild Indians who inhabit this Ter-

ritory has become very small indeed. Lesser crimes will be committed to some extent, but it is doubtful whether the proportion of crime in New Mexico including Indian depredations, has been greater as compared with population than in any western state. Of course our people ask immunity from all such Indian depredations. They insist that an Indian knows right from wrong fully as well as the masses of the people. And they further insist that a law which is equitable and just for the white man is equitable and just for the Indian, and urge that the government should not only provide equal laws for all, but should execute them. I believe this is substantially what the general government intends to do, and will do. And that there is no cause for any man or family to stay away from New Mexico on account of Indians. The people of New Mexico alone, if driven to do so for self protection, and the general government did not interfere, could in ninety days exterminate every wild Indian within our borders. The wild ribes of Indians of New Mexico scattered or residing in different parts of the Territory, only number in all, of men, women and children, about 14,349, and of men called warriors, or capable of fighting, there are only 4,178. I cannot state with certainly, but I am confident that there were a greater number of Indians in the State of Michigan, at the time of her admission into the Union as a state, then there are now in New Mexico. Besides these wild Indians consisting of Utes, Apaches, and Navajoes, we have in New Mexico twenty villages or Pueblos of Indians with a population of nearly 8,000. The exact number at the last enumeration was 7,683. These people have attached and belonging to each Pueblo large tracts of generally very choice lands, and these lands aggregate 506,560 acres mostly properly surveyed. These Pueblo Indians are an excellent people. They remain generally at home, attend to their own business, raise good crops, keep considerable stock of cattle, sheep, horses, &c., and are as quiet, orderly and industrious a people as can be found anywhere. They have lived here in the same peaceable habits from time immemorial, cultivating lands by general agriculture, the raising of stock, grains and spirits, and with the facilities they have, could alone probably enforce a peace with the remote wild Indians if driven to such externity. They stand on the side

of the whites, and have been a great protection to the whites in past times and are really now among the best and most useful citizens of the Territory. They possess considerable ingenuity, and make a very good article of coarse earthern ware, and manufacture many articles of convenience for the use of the people generally. So that this class of Indians have added and do continue to add to the general increase in wealth and prosperity of the Territory. These two classes comprise all the Indians of New Mexico.

More specific details in regard to the Indians of this Territory, are not at my command at the moment, as all matters relative to Indian affairs are more particularly under the control and management of a separate department, and our people have very little knowledge as to Indian affairs except what is brought to them by actual experiences here and there throughout our own territory, and what comes to the Executive occasionally by way of complaints from different localities. As a false impression has gone out as to the numbers and condition of these Indians, detrimental to the interests of the Territory, I have deemed it proper to lay these few facts before you. One-third of all the Indians in New Mexico are excellent people, of good habits, and of great service to the Territory. The other two-thirds, with but few exceptions, are disposed to be at peace and the government will soon have them all permanently fixed upon their reservations, and will then hold them to exact justice with our people The Navajoes have in the main became a quiet people, engaging largely in the raising of stock, sheep and horses, and in a few years will take the same position new held by our best Pueblo Indians.

The present general government has had a most difficult subject on its hands, and these difficulties are hard to overcome. Through all the varied succession of events which have transpired in regard to the numerous bands and tribes of Indians scattered over the vast territories of the United States, the way has been hedged up by customs and treaties, commenced in the earliest history of the settlement by the white man, which customs and treaties acknowledge the nationality of a hundred and one warlike bands of Indians, wild and savage and incapable of organizing any such state of civil society as was worthy of the name, and in many instances were little better thean small bands of marauders

and robbers, the stronger preying upon the weaker, until one by one these bands have become almost extinguished, not by the whites, but constant exhausting wars among themselves. Great Britain adopted a different course; placed the Indians of the Canadas in the same position substantially as other foreign subjects, never admitting any prior right of an Indian, or any band or tribe of Indians to eminent domain, or even temporary right in the soil. And while this government has been in constant treaty, and almost constant wars with these little petty bands, as entitled to a recognition of all these several bands, to a nationality each, the British government has seldom had any trouble with these roving, gipsey nationalities. Consistency would hardly permit any great and sudden change of rule on the part of our government, but the sooner some plan can be adopted which, recognizing every right of the Indian,—at the same time puts him into the same relations to the white race, as the individual whites hold to each other, the sooner will Indian troubles cease; and until that is consummated we must suffer more or less from the belief of the Indian that he has some superior rights in the soil. The present administration seems to be moving with great prudence toward a wise consumation of this or some other analogous plan, which will secure justice to all parties and make an end ultimately of these continued Indian wars and depredations

PUBLIC LANDS.

Constant inquiries are made in regard to our public lands, and these inquiries will increase more and more as conveniences for travel shall increase. The vast underlying wealth of this country, in almost every direction, of the richest mines of gold and all the more valuable minerals—these coming to be known, are fast causing immigration from all parts, and the chances of a sudden fortune is tempting many to a new endeavor, and where valuable localities are discovered there comes an immediate influx of hardy and persevering pioneers, ready and earnest to secure a share in the wealth, for ages hidden in our mountains and cañons awaiting the advent of energetic and determined men who will make New Mexico their homes and aid in exhibiting its real treasures to the world. And as the mineral lands become located, all the arable lands will be brought into requisition, to furnish the supplies for the miners, and when this is accomplished still

another class, the artisans and manufacturers, of all the articles of commerce which are usually constructed of the raw material, which abound in all parts of New Mexico, must be provided for. All these facts indicate that ultimately every acre of our arable lands will be needed and eagerly sought after. A home market will always exist for every article which agriculture can supply, and we shall never have to go abroad for the sale of our wheat, corn, buckwheat, barley, oats, and potatoes and all manner of vegetables, fowls, eggs, butter, beef, pork and fruits—our markets for all these will be in New Mexico, while almost the only articles which we can raise for export, and cannot better be sold here will be our sheep, cattle, wool, coal, gypsum, marble, and minerals, hides, wine and grapes, which we cannot ourselves consume, and a portion of which we shall have to send to other markets. No country can be better calculated to sustain its own people by its own resources, and without external aid than our own territory.

Not more than from one-eighth to one-twelfth part of our lands are probably now to be classed as arable lands. But the mineral lands are still more valuable, while the mountains and high plains are capable of supporting an almost unlimited number of cattle, sheep, goats, mules and horses, and the ancient expression of "the cattle upon a thousand hills," would seem almost to have referred to this country of oriental scenery where it is reported that some of our sheep raisers individually keep as many as from 60,000 to 80,000 sheep which feed themselves from year end to year end, except at certain times when the young and tender of the flock need the shepherd's care in bringing them into some retired valley or cañon away from the temporary storm.

Nature has done almost everything for a pastoral people here, and a pastoral life is almost the only one fitted for a country, so remote from commerce, markets and exchanges, in the earlier stages of society and settlement and until arts, science, manufacturing and improvements are brought in to lift us up to a higher standard and a greater degree of progress secured. But as yet our lands are to but small extent surveyed. And besides this, to the hindrance of settlement is the fact that there are large tracts of land covered by Grants or pretended Grants, long since made, where made at all, and the uncertainty of securing perfect title to lands contiguous even to these claimed grants tends to discourage

settlement. To-day a large quantity of very excellent agricultural lands are claimed under grants some of which are said to date back two hundred years and more. The holders of these grants so far as any *bona fide* grants existed at the time of the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, are confirmed in their titles but few in any have been surveyed. The boundaries being natural land marks and inadequately described it is now difficult to determine the corners or out lines of the original grants or claims as now set up to vast tracts of land, as high as one to two millions of acres, about which the question of title and boundary is becoming more and more difficult of adjustment. There are said to be a hundred of these claims great and small, and the holders of these grants are not required by law to record or even exhibit their titles or claims to the lands, but the limits of the grant claimed may be with held indefinitely and until the lands are surveyed and patented. Land titles or claims abandoned nearly one hundred years since and which remained so abandoned for eighty years are now renewed and the old title of 1753 is brought to light now that there is some prospect of enhanced values where there were no values at all.

Applications for lands contiguous to these assumed grants are common, but the uncertainly of these grants or of the lines as they may be confirmed, prevents men of means from investing money upon such vast uncertainties. In one case a party set up claim to twenty five leagues but his confirmation by congress only reached five leagues. And these questions of title in New Mexico have come to be the absorbing questions of the country and we shall remain largely as we are and without proper development and progress until there can be a settlement and determination final in regard to them. The power to settle these disputies remains alone in congress, and but two prominent methods have as yet been presented for final adjustment. One of these plans is to submit the questions in dispute to some court in the first instance. Another plan proposed is to have a special commission created, to sit in any or all territories and settle all questions of like character, with the right of appeal to some proper court as a last resort.

Objections are raised to both plans. It is urged that in a court of law and before a jury of neighbors if a complainant or party resided here for many years it would be difficult to

secure an impartial jury. And it is claimed that a commission composed not of jurists, nor following any established rules of law or equity from which there would necessarily be an appeal to some high judicial tribunal, would at best be but a preliminary court of examination, and that if this is to be the character of the proceedings, then it would be better to put this preliminary examination into the hands of the Surveyor General of New Mexico so far as questions may arise relating to the lands of New Mexico, furnish him the necessary clerks and aids to take proofs, wherever it could most conveniently be done, make his decision thereon, and if not satisfactory, then the whole matter to be carried by appeal to the U. S. District court for the Territory. The two great points being first, to do justice by claimants, and next for the public good. To get as early a determination as possible of all the land disputes which are now so disastrous to our growth and settlement, it would seem that for such purpose an early, equitable and inexpensive mode would be secured by requiring all parties claiming adversely to the United States or claimants under the United States, to make claim by instituting suits within a specified time to be named by Congress, in the United States court of the territory, and proceed according to the rules and practice of the court in equity to take proofs, examine and make a determination as in other cases, and at as early a day as it could be accomplished by such rules and practice. Such court has already its officers, attorneys marshals, clerks, etc., and the courts could adjourn from time to time and place to place so as to secure the convenience of parties as to their witnesses and proofs, and the whole be accomplished at an expense very much below the cost of a full commission such as has been contemplated.

The great point with us, is to get the final adjustment of these claims at the earliest period possible and to this end it would be proper for the legislature to memoralize congress, at an early day. In such memorial congress should be asked to repeal so much of the present law of congress as requires these claims to be surveyed at the expense of the owners of the claims. In all these surveys the government has by far the largest interest and it can hardly be doubted that congress will repeal that provision of the law.

TAXES AND AMENDMENTS.

Upon inquiry as to what amendments are necessary to ren-

der more perfect our tax laws and our laws in regard to schools, the almost universal voice of the judges of the probate courts and those who are most intimately acquainted with the workings of the law, is that the part of the law of taxation which authorizes a party to take out from his taxable property whatever sum may equal his debts, should be repealed.

That the first great general rule of taxation is based upon the idea that he who receives the protection of government for his own person and property should contribute in proportion to his property protected, towards paying the expenses of government. This is the generally received equitable rule everywhere.

The tax law of the last legislature, passed with but little time for consideration and with the best intent, provides for the taxing of nearly all the real and personal estate, except five hundred dollars exempted, but provides that "there shall be deducted the indebtedness of those owing taxes." The statement of a single case which may arise and many of like character, probably, have already risen, will illustrate the effect of this proviso or exemption of the amount of a man's debts. Mr. A, a party from New York or London comes to New Mexico and makes a purchase of an estate worth two millions of dollars. He pays down two hundred thousand dollars and the remaining one million and eight hundred thousand dollars, he does not pay, but gives his bond or promissory note therefor, and secures it by a mortgage on the land, and Mr. B. with his bond and mortgage of $1,800,000 retires from the country. He cannot be taxed for the land which he has sold and surrendered title. When Mr. A, the purchaser is called upon to pay his tax on the land, he replies very well, I will pay the tax on what interest I have after deducting $1,800,000 I am indebted.

The result is $1,800,000 worth of property is not taxed and of course those who have property, and perhaps much less able to pay, have to provide for this very tax, by an increased tax on their own property in order to make enough means to pay the current expenses of the Terrritorial government, with its indebtedness and interest.

It is quite questionable whether any property should be exempt from taxation. While there should be a liberal exemption of property from debts in every new country, and this

has turned out best both for debtor and creditor generally, yet as every man receives the protection and benefit of a government of law and order where he can enforce his rights, he can afford to pay a small sum towards securing such protection of the law, and these small sums exempted under the five hundred dollar clause while they would scarcely be felt by the payer are yet so numerous in the aggregate, as to be a great relief to the heavy tax payers.

But whatever view may be taken of this clause, about which I have heard much complaint, it is certain that the part of the law exempting taxation or assessment to the amount of the indebtedness is anomalous, and results in making taxes very unequal, will produce gross frauds, and great injustice and should be repealed at once.

Reports from the proper collecting officers show that the poll tax of one dollar to each man of the age of twenty one year has been collected only in part; in some counties the individuals taxed have generally paid, while in other counties but an inconsiderable part of these taxes have been paid. It is quite evident that if the poll tax is to be enforced as to one it must as to all, and some penalty or forfeiture will be required to secure its payment. And it is suggested by some of the judges of the probate courts that the collection of this poll tax should be committed to some other party then the present authorized collector, as a matter of great convenience to the people and the collector.

EQUALIZATION OF TAXES.

It will be found that great inequalities and unfairness will exist in the assessment of property unless there is some board or commission for the equalization of assessments in the different counties of the Territory. If sheep, for instance shall be assessed at fifty cents or one dollar per head in Bernalillo county, shall not the sheep of the same grade and character be assessed at the same sum in Santa Fe or Valencia. And so in regard to every species of property, each county should pay its share of the current expenses of the Territory according to actual values. And it will be readily seen that sharp practices among or by assessors, may produce very great inequality in the Territorial taxes unless some plan of equalization is adopted. In different states there are different modes of equalization and in some these boards equalize frequently and in others only once in several years. It is not ex-

pensive to have such a board which might be composed of certain county or Territorial officers, and almost any method of equalizing would be better them none.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S REPORT.

I herewith submit to you the report of the Adjutant General of the Territory. It is a very elaborate report, and embodies a great amount of very valuable statistics for the information of the people of the Territory. Large claims of individuals of this Territory have long existed against the United States for services rendered the government and for supplies furnished many years since, and for which it is believed not one dollar has been paid to our people, who of all others have seemed to be most in need.

The report is made up in considerable detail, and will probably be found to be of great service in enabling parties having claims for services and supplies for the army ultimately to secure their just dues from the government. The sums to individuals are not each large but in the aggregate would be a great aid to a people who have willingly rendered service and suffered very much, and whose needs for money are very great. The territory is not able to pay these sums, and our hope is in the justice of congress, when the whole facts are once laid before that body in such manner that they may be comprehended, and the right in the matter be made to appear. Whether it will be better to memoralize congress on the subject or act through a joint committee in some other way so as to get the facts properly before congress, will be for you to determine. The subject is of such importance that I feel quite safe after calling your attention to it, in trusting the entire matter to the practical wisdom of those who have all our Territorial interests under their special charge.

The Department at Washington having this subject in charge is evidently seeking to obtain such information as will ultimately enable the government to determine the individual rights of the parties. Constant applications have been made during the last two years, to the Adjutant General of this Territory for information in regard to the residence of the parties in this territory who have rendered meritorious service to the general government, and little by little such knowledge will be gained as will enable the men who have so long failed to receive any remuneration for their services, to secure

the just rewards of their labor. There is no other office in the territory through wich such information can be obtained except the Adjutant General's, and he is the custodian of the rolls and papers relating to the military service of the officers and soldiers of New Mexico and the records in his office are of the utmost importance and should be kept with the most scrupulous care. Many papers of great value have already been abstracted from the files of this office, clearly exhibiting the fact that the custodian of such valuable records and documents should be a most faithful and trust worthy man.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S REPORT.

I also herewith transmit to you the report of the Quartermaster General, by which it will be seen that we are almost destitute of arms and ammunition of any kind, and worse than all, what we have, is of a most inferior character. We need a fair quality of arms of good quality, and good ammunition for use should they at any time become requisite. These public stores have to be kept and cared for at the expense of the Territory, it costs no more to store and care for good articles, and of great value when needed than a poor class, which when needed are worse than useless. And some effort should be made to have the inferior arms and ammunition, substituted by a far better article, and I have hopes that our delegate in Congress may so present the subject before the proper authorities as to secure the end suggested.

The subject of securing a building for stores and amunition farther from the center of population of the town is also very properly suggested in the report.

AMENDMENT TO SCHOOL LAW.

The Judges of Probate in several of the counties in making suggestions in regard to amendments to the laws, among other things have advised slight amendments to the school law of last session of the legislature. The law has evidently worked better than was anticipated, and no amendments should be made in a general law which has worked well unless it is quite clear that such amendment will be for the public good. Constant unnecessary changes are the bane of statute laws. But there can be little doubt that some changes can be properly made. Among the changes proposed, one is to allow the Superintendents more time for the execution of

their duties. Another that the superintendents be paid a larger per diem allowance, and in some cases mileage for their services for time and travel.

As so many questions must obviously arise on a new law of such general effect and thus far with such unexpectedly good results, I do not deem it best to go into any detail of the several suggestions made but leave the whole matter to such consciencious care, as I feel confident you will bestow upon a subject so overwhelmningly important. The law has worked wonders, and the thousands of children entering upon a systematic course of education which has never been before within their reach, will rise up in constantly increasing numbers to attest the success of the great undertaking of providing free public schools to all the children and youth of our Territory.

IRRIGATION.

The subject of irrigation is attracting great attention throughout the Territory and some of the Western States. It is known that almost all our agricultural products are secured by irrigating the lands. And while it would appear that no extensive agriculture could be carried on with advantage where irrigation had to be resorted to, still this is not the fact. No such certainty of crops, exists anywhere as when there is a good soil and an abundant supply of water which is fully at command to be used exactly as needed by a system of irrigation. Crops can be advanced or retarded, and to a reasonable extent may be increased or diminished through such system of irrigation. At a very small cost comparatively, a system of acequias, ditches or canals along a valley having at its center a stream of water the whole line of the valley can be furnished with water where needed or turned off when a positive injury. Water is the great necessity of New Mexico and other Territories. Not only water, but in such position as to be spread out over the richest lands the world ever saw. And where it can be so spread over the lands, such country becomes at once another valley of the Nile, and the products of such lands are enormous.

Some plan must ultimately, either through private corporations or governmental aid be adopted, as will by great reservoirs upon the highest lands to which waters can be elevated, or by means of acequias or canals conducted from the upper sources of the great rivers and springs, or both, be spread out

over the great meses or plains in their primitive wealth of soil the accumulations of ages, and thereby render an unproductive country to a considerable degree, especially in its highest plains, one of the richest and most productive in the world.

If the government would aid us to the extentit has railroads, or to the extent it has aided countries where swamp lands were supposed to exist—such aid would enable the Territories to render a quick return in the sale of choice lands which without irrigation can never be sold at the cost of surveys without such aid. At a convention held at Denver in Colorado a little time since, a memorial was issued to be presented to Congress upon this subject, and it is probable that upon a full investigation of the subject, you will deem it expedient for the Legislature of New Mexico to memorialize Congress upon the same subject and to the same general end.

SUPREME COURT REPORTS.

For over twenty years the courts of this Territory have been instituted, but to this hour not a volume of reports have been published, and while nearly every Territory and State is ready to furnish us their decisions of the cases decided in their courts, we have no reports to return therefor, nor even for the use of our own courts or the citizens desiring to know what rulings have been made in our own courts and which especially interest the citizens of New Mexico.

We can now get a report of these decisions prepared by and under the direction of one of the most distinguished members of the bar of the Territory, provided, the Territory will provide for the printing and binding, as I am informed. If the Territory should feel willing to provide for the printing and binding of from 2000 to 3000 copies which would be a sufficient supply for several years to come, and receive 500 copies into the public library to supply the wants of the Territory for exchanges, it would enable us to make exchanges for other law works of almost incalculable value to the people of this Territory. One volume would bring us large numbers of very valuable works, and it would not prove bad economy to secure such a work, if we desire to replenish our own library with the most valuable books of the day. I call your attention to the subject as a very important one and worthy the consideration of the legislature.

REPORT OF AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

By the report of the Auditor of Public Accounts, which I herewith transmit, it will be seen, that up to this time the returns of the sheriffs for several of the counties of their tax collections have not been made for this year, although the returns were required by law to be made by the first of November, and that there are outstanding taxes, uncollected, and in the hands of the collecting officers to the amount of $55,363-17 now due to the Treasury of the Territory.

The sheriffs of the counties of San Miguel, Grant, Lincoln, and Colfax, have as yet made no returns this year. It is expected that returns from these counties will soon be made, but as is suggested by the Auditor of Public Accounts, some provision of law should be made to prevent this delay in making returns of tax collections. It is impossible to keep the public credit good without enforcing our laws for the prompt collection and proper return of our taxes, and if the collection laws are defective then more stringent laws should be enacted.

If these returns shall come in as anticipated, if only to the extent of $30,000 this would not only take up all our outstanding warrants but would pay of all outstanding and due coupons. And if our taxes had been applied to taking up the warrants only, as was evidently intended by the law, leaving the interest on the bonded debt to be paid, after the warrants for current expenses had first been paid off, our warrants would at this time have been nearly all taken up. By a misapprehension of the law, a large amount of the coupons were taken by the collectors in payment for taxes, while it was the evident design of the law makers to pay off first the non-interest bearing debt; but if the returns yet to be made shall bring in the amount they ought to yield, the warrant debt, as well as the interest coupons will all be provided for and Territorial warrants if not already so will within thirty days stand at about par value. This is a consummation of great consequence to the territory, and one which will enable us hereafter with moderate taxes to keep our financial condition prosperous and easy.

CONCLUSION.

Success beyond our most sanguine expectation has crowned our efforts in attempting to lay the foundation of a great

commonwealth, in righteousness, honesty and fair dealing in all our financial affairs—and intelligence and wisdom, in our foundations for education and universal knowledge, and while these things look so bright and the way seems easy before us, still we shall not succeed in building to perfection upon these, or the most exalted and excellent foundations except by the utmost unflagging energy and perseverance, and the fullest determination, on our part, not only to have good laws enacted, but a straight, fair, impartial and certain execution of the laws, by all officers, high or low. By this course being carried out, we may hope to attain that ultimate success which shall command universal admiration, but without which we have no basis for valuable results, or exalted hopes.

MARSH GIDDINGS.